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Battle With Police After Attempted Holdup Of Junk

Creditor And Debtor Ordinance

The Hong Kong Chinese Chamber of Commerce has invited Mr. Percy Chen, barrister-at-law, to be their adviser in negotiations with Government concerning the proposed Creditor and Debtor Ordinance.

On their behalf Mr. Chen recently called on the Hon. Mr. J. B. Griffin, Attorney General, for the purpose of suggesting a modus operandi for the presentation of the views of the Hong Kong Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Formal discussions will be commenced soon.

Approach To Students' Parents

An attempt to induce the guardians of the four students allegedly expelled from the Chinese authorities at Shumchun to leave their homes and cross into Chinese territory was reported in yesterday's "Iwa Hsiang Pao".

The Journal said that an officer of the Chinese Army, who identified himself as Captain Tang Chih-jui, called on the parents and guardians on Sunday and after advising them not to believe newspaper reports, invited them to accompany him to Canton to claim the four students.

Neighbours, however, intervened and told the Captain that if he produced a photograph of the four boys, they would allow the parents to go to Canton. Otherwise they advised the parents not to go.

The man later disappeared.

Cotton Mill Strike Continues

The strike of some 100 Cantonese workers at the Nanyang Cotton Mills, which started last week when they protested against treatment and working hours, has still not been settled.

The strikers protested against treatment at the hands of their Shanghai confederates who were assigned to teach them their work.

The management contended the trouble was due more to language difficulty and misunderstanding, and their not being amenable to discipline, than to any real grievance.

The strikers had been paid off by the mill last week, and work has been going on as usual with-out them.

The Labour Office, which had unsuccessfully tried to effect a settlement last week, yesterday called representatives of both parties to a conference in an effort to iron out their differences.

Cannberra, May 3.
The Australian Government has ordered a thousand tons of cement from Britain to speed up the work on the rocket range in central Australia. It was announced here today.—Reuter.

COLOMBIA BREAKS WITH SOVIET

Bogota, May 4.

Colombia broke off diplomatic relations last night with the Soviet Union.

The Colombian Cabinet decided late in the afternoon to sever relations with Russia almost a month after the abortive revolution which took 1,500 lives in Colombia.

A diplomatic rupture had been expected—since President Mariano Ospina Perez blamed international Communism for the revolutionary rioting which broke out following the assassination of Liberal leader Jorge Eliecer Gaitan on Apr. 9.

Brazil and Chile have broken off diplomatic relations with Russia.

The Foreign Minister said Colombia had received and replied to a Russian note protesting an alleged armed raid on Apr. 12 on a Bogota house in which Soviet legation staff members were living.

The raid was conducted by Colombian Government agents, the Russian note said.

The Colombian reply, Zuleta Angel said, denied that Government representatives entered the house. It acknowledged, however, that Government agents raided the office of the Soviet Information Bureau and seized various documents which later were returned, the Foreign Minister said.—Associated Press.

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May Attempt To Fight Way Out This Morning

A large police posse was last night tightening a cordon round Lau Fau Shan (Tiger's Hill) in the New Territories. In undergrowth on the hillside an estimated 100 armed pirates were hiding.

The pirates, who are believed to be armed with at least four machine-guns, several rifles and automatic pistols, are members of a gang which attempted to rob a junk in a creek at the foot of the hill shortly after 9 a.m. yesterday.

Shots were exchanged between the police and pirates yesterday afternoon. The pirates stopped firing last night and the police believe they will attempt to fight their way through the cordon this morning.

It is understood the pirates, concealed in a junk, attempted to board another junk laden with rice in the Un Long Creek at the foot of Lau Fau Shan.

The attempt was frustrated by the sudden appearance of Water Police launch No. 15.

The pirates ran ashore, scaled the police launch with machine-guns and rifles.

The police returned the fire. Neither side scored hits, so far as is known.

SIGNALLED FOR HELP

The police launch then signalled Hong Kong for reinforcements. A Catalina flying-boat was chartered from Kai Tak airport.

Northern Honshu Air Base

Tokyo, May 4.

The American authorities have confirmed that thousands of Japanese, including women, have for months been engaged in the construction of a large military air base at Misawa, Northern Honshu, within easy fighter range of Russia's major military outposts on the Sea of Japan—Vladivostok.

News that the base was being built was common knowledge in Tokyo for more than a year, but correspondents refrained from writing about it at the request of United States Far East Air Forces, which classified the information as "restricted."

What was described as an "unauthorized" publication of information about the base in a New York paper forced the authorities to confirm the story for general circulation.

It is understood the Misawa base has one concrete runway of 3,500 feet with an overall length of more than 9,500 feet, including gravel approaches. This runway is capable of handling the fastest and largest planes now under construction or planned for early use.

Construction to date has been under the supervision of United States Far East Air Forces, commanded by Lt.-Gen. Ennis Whitehead.—United Press.

Five separate police groups are patrolled around the foot of Lau Fau Shan.

Firing had stopped according to latest reports last night and police were preparing for a break-through they believed would take place this morning.

Police operations are under control of Divisional Superintendent (New Territories) N.B. Fraser.

All available police in the New Territories were standing by for an emergency call.

Lau Fau Shan is notoriously known for its robber and pirate hideouts.

The police were equipped with Bren guns, machine-guns and other automatic weapons.

An eyewitness told the "China Mail" that spasmodic bursts were exchanged between the pirates and police throughout yesterday afternoon.

With their escape routes blocked, the pirates last night had two alternatives—surrender, or fight their way through the police cordon.

ESCAPE

CUT OFF

Three police launches are patrolling the Un Long Creek, across which the pirates would have to swim to escape into Chinese territory.

Planning Board For Colonies Suggested

London, May 1.

A suggestion for the creation of a Colonial Economic Planning Board to consider in broad outline and in detail plans for the economic development of the whole of the British Empire was advanced in the House of Commons.

Mr. Geoffrey Cooper (Labour) asked for a statement of Government policy towards such proposals to supplement the Colonial Development scheme which he described as only a small proportion of the whole economic planning required.

The Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr. C. P. Mayhew, replied:

"It is not thought necessary or appropriate to create any new central planning board of precisely the character suggested. By following upon the recent strengthening of the economic division of the Colonial Office, and the creation of the Colonial Development Corporation and the Overseas Food Corporation, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, the Colonial Secretary, has reconstituted the Colonial Economic and Development Council to advise him on matters affecting the whole development of dependent territories for which His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom is responsible.

"The Council has been reorganized in order to bring it into closer relationship with officials of the Colonial Office, with the Secretary of State's Advisory Committee on several subjects with the new Corporations and with those in other departments of His Majesty's Government concerned with the investment and development policy of the United Kingdom itself."

In reply to further questions, Mr. Mayhew said that the Colonial Secretary will be making a fuller statement on the subject on his return and that encouragement of foreign investment in British Colonial development was another question.

50,000 On Strike In Hanover

Frankfurt, May 4.
An estimated 50,000 workers in the automotive, metal, rubber and chemical industries went on strike today in the Hanover area protesting the "extremely serious food conditions," Dena, the German news agency reported.

A total of almost 40,000 workers have put down their tools since last Friday while 10,000 workers of Continental Rubber plants left their jobs early this morning, the agency said.

Final decision on a statewide general strike probably would be taken this afternoon when trade unionists meet with members of the state government.

Dena agency reported that Heinrich Kopf, Steel Minister President of Lower Saxony, had resumed talks with trade union leaders today in order to prevent a statewide strike wave.—United Press.

Fresh Water On Streets To Combat Disease

The washing of pavements and side channels is considered by the Health Authorities to be a most valuable public health measure and especially as a measure against the spread of tuberculosis, says an official statement.

As far as possible sea and nullah water are used for this purpose, except in the Central District, where mains water is used, due to numerous complaints in the past of damage to clothes and of the greasy condition of the streets caused by sea water being spilt on them.

The sole use of nullah water is not practicable at the moment owing to the fact that water carts are not available. However, street washing vehicles, which will use nullah water only, are expected to arrive later in the year.

With the imposition of water restrictions, instructions have been issued that the washing of pavements with mains water should be ceased, and that only the minimum amount of water should be used for the cleansing of side channels.

The cleansing of side channels is considered essential, as unfortunately since the liberation, office buildings have been and still are being used to a great extent for habitation at night, with the result that street side channels have become very insanitary. This is due to the fact that the down pipes are being used for purposes other than that for which they were intended.

In the present instance, the staff engaged in the cleansing of side channels, exceeded their instructions and washed the pavements as well. Steps have been taken to prevent a recurrence of this until such time as the present drought ends.

Holiday In Colony

Celebrations planned by the Chinese community in honour of the inauguration of China's first President under the Constitution, will not be held today, due to the postponement of the ceremony in Nanking.

The celebrations committee announced that when the date for the actual inauguration ceremony is fixed by Nanking, the celebrations as originally planned will be held.

Today was to have been a red letter day, with processions and cracker firing, and a monster banquet to be attended by representatives of all organisations in the colony.

The day was gazetted a general holiday of the specific request of the Chinese Members of Council. The day on which a procession is decided upon will not be a public holiday.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed against arrival from Bombay on account of emphysema and plague.

PICTURE OF THE DAY

The Brush-Off



The King has approved full dress for the Guards for ceremonial occasions. Out of cold storage the uniforms need a little going over. Here one of the Goldstreamers is having his bearskin brushed into military precision.

5,000 BRITISH KEEPING ORDER IN JAFFA

Tel-Aviv, May 4.

Some 2,000 British troops in full battle dress and equipped with tanks and artillery landed at Jaffa today, raising to an estimated 5,000 the number of British soldiers now garrisoning the port city.

The reinforcements came ashore at the city which is being protected by a British imposed truce as the cruiser "Newcastle" joined other British naval forces in the harbour.

The Haganah headquarters here reported today that Lebanese troops with light artillery crossed the Palestine border this morning.

The announcement said the crossing was made near the Lebanese village of Odessa, close to the Jewish settlement of Ramot Naftali in outer Galilee.

The Exchange Telegraph reported from Jerusalem that a large Arab force, reportedly including Arab Legionnaires, has been attacking Kfar Etzion since dawn.

The dispatch said the Arab force is using artillery.

The three-nation consular truce commission announced it would leave for Amman, Transjordan, today to confer with King Abdullah and Secretary General Abdul Rahman Azzam Pasha of the League.

The Consuls are entrusted by the United Nations with arranging a truce between the Arab and Jews in Jerusalem.

The commission did not divulge any details of their planned talks with Abdullah and Azzam.—United Press.

Debate Fails

Lake Success, May 4.
The United Nations Trusteeship Council was virtually out of hope today of devising an effective plan to safeguard Jerusalem from civil war.

After day and night sessions, the Council adjourned sharply before midnight without agreement. Another session was set for this morning.

Delegates are in general accord that no aggressive enforcement of provisions is possible. No Jewish-Arab agreement was in sight here on a truce necessary to give any U.N. plan a chance.

The Council hope-fully looked to Jerusalem, where the international Red Cross is trying to bring a halt to the fighting.

Benjamin Grig, United States delegate, said he was "ashamed" of the toothless report before the Council after a week of debate.

The report will go to a plenary session of the special Palestine assembly.

Gist Of Report.
Unless it can be strengthened at the last minute, the Council report will merely—not.

1.—Arab-Jewish agreement on a cease-fire in the old walled city section of Jerusalem. Both sides said there was no fighting there anyway.

2.—Arab-Jewish agreement to respect holy places.

3.—Recommendation that the British appoint a special neutral commissioner to co-operate with Jewish and Arab groups in maintaining essential services in Jerusalem. The commissioner would have no power to intervene in fighting.

In the Assembly's 58-nation vote.

FREIGHTER ON FIRE

Norfolk, Virginia, May 5.

The American freighter Shell Star (3,305 tons), with a crew of 35, reported today she was on fire in the Atlantic, about 15 miles from Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.

Coastguard Headquarters received a message saying the vessel had "an uncontrollable fire" in holds Nos. 1 and 2 and asking for assistance.

The cutter, Ingham, was ordered to go from Norfolk to her aid.—Reuter.



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Chinese Recruits Graduate

The first post-war "passing-out parade" of the Chinese Training Unit was held at the Argyle Street Camp yesterday when 90 Chinese recruits who have completed their preliminary military training paraded before Major-General G. W. E. J. Erskine, G.O.C., Hong Kong.

Addressing the recruits, Major-General Erskine reminded them that they were now soldiers and in future must place their duties above anything else. He mentioned that their reports from the instructors were good and that their keenness secured special mention.

"Many of you," added Major-General Erskine, "will be drafted to driving vehicles and I want to see you the best of drivers in the colony. You are the first of a number of squads to be trained and there is every opportunity for promotion for men of outstanding qualities. I wish you all good luck in your new career."

After the inspection, General Erskine congratulated the men on their smart turn-out. He made particular mention of one recruit who was awarded a silver shield.

Other officers present were Brigadier Skene, L.C. R.H.A.P., Flavius, Officer commanding R.A.O.C., Lt. Col. E. G. Hazell, Officer commanding R.A.S.C., Major J. F. Sope, Major B. Brown, Captain T. K. Lam, Lt. James and Mr. J. Barrow, District Officer, New Territories.

Thought-Provoking Address

A plea for closer understanding among men and nations was made by Lt.-Col. E. R. Brasher-Crawth, M.C., in a talk before Hong Kong Rotary yesterday.

Talking for his subject "Talking for a Living" the speaker said by talking to the other fellow we bridge the gap which divides us in culture and understanding.

Despite the advance of civilization mankind was little changed from the jungle. He pointed out that the dog, the most vocal animal, with which mankind had apparently been most closely associated down the ages.

Little attempt was made to understand one's neighbor. Rather we inclined to sit behind our mental iron curtain—an attitude of mind which, the speaker urged, should be replaced by one of seeking a better understanding of people further away from our immediate surrounding.

The speaker was thanked by returning Skinner on behalf of the Club for a "most thought-provoking" talk.

Guests included Messrs. U. L. Jones, E. A. Sooter, J. S. Wooley, W. E. Joffe, C. F. Terrill, P. S. Barnes, R. V. Lederhofer, J. Blitz and Teoh Teng-ming.

POLICE REMOVE POSTERS

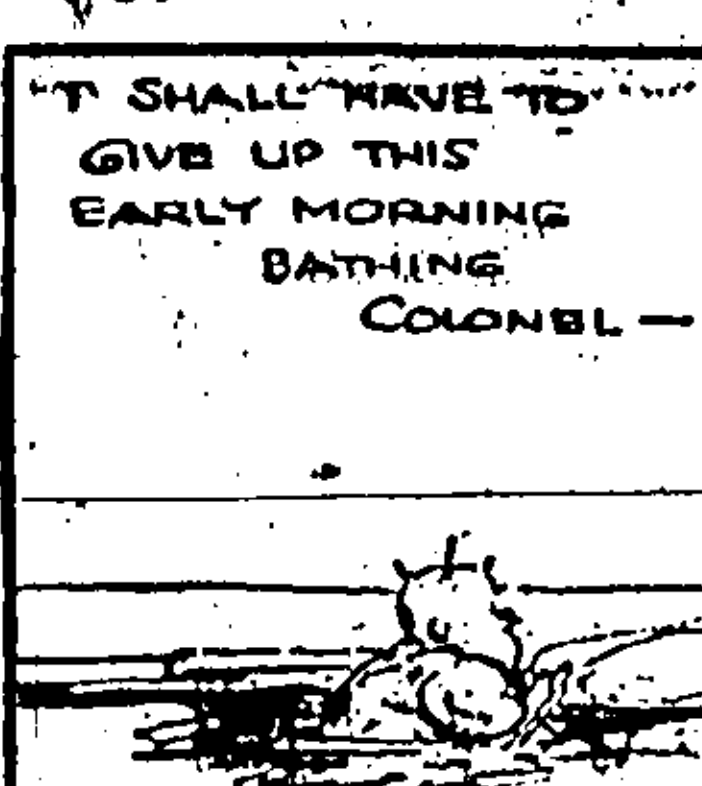
Rangoon, May 3. Police today removed the posters which Communists stuck on Rangoon's main streets declaring war against the Government.

There were reports of more railway sabotage in the district, and by Communist bands. Two highway bridges were partially destroyed by fire, halting traffic on the road to Mandalay. —United Press.

TORNADO'S TOLL

New York, May 3. At least 19 people were killed and over 100 injured in tornadoes and violent windstorms which tore through seven mid-Western States during the week-end. The storms caused millions of dollars worth of damage. —Reuter.

POP



The blue comes off!



WITNESS REFUSES TO REPEAT STATEMENT

Failure of a prosecution witness to give evidence in accordance with a previous statement he had made resulted in an exchange of hard words between Mr. F. W. Shaffain and defence counsel in the case in which S. I. Clarke, Detective P.C. Lau Hoi-man and P.C. Chan Po-wah appeared before Mr. F. X. d'Almada for assaulting Kwan Sing and with unlawfully imprisoning him for 12 hours against his will on Feb. 6.

Words were exchanged when Cheung Kin-ping for the prosecution was warned by the Court that he need not answer any questions that might incriminate him.

Witness had stated that he had seen S. I. Clarke strike Kwan Sing in the back room. At this point Mr. Comber requested Mr. d'Almada to warn witness lest he find himself on a charge of misprision of a felony. The warning was issued by the Magistrate and when the witness had finished his evidence, Mr. Shaffain submitted that it did not correspond with the statement made to him.

He considered it was unnecessary for Mr. Comber to ask his Worship to issue the warning. Mr. Shaffain said that with his limited knowledge of English and the warning issued, witness was afraid and the evidence was not given as it should have been.

The remark, he concluded, was in order to prejudice the prosecution's case.

Lee Lap said that he was an investigator of the Anti-Corruption Department. He had no police pass. On Feb. 6 in accordance with instructions received he went at 10 p.m. to Cleverly Street to see if cooked rice stalls were infringing the Rules and if any police were molesting them.

Saw Car Arrive

At 10.45 he was near rice stall No. 24 belonging to Chan Yuck-ping. He knew her. She was not related to him but was a friend of his wife. He saw a Police car arrive, and pull up in front of the stall. He also saw a number of uniformed constables and a European Inspector come out of the stall. He took a canvas chair and sat on it. He then told a constable to get the licence of the stall. His instructions were to take the numbers of all the constables. On the arrival of the police car all the lights of the stalls went out. He saw a constable take Kwan Sing to the stall. Shortly after he heard some one calling from the car "Some one is taking down numbers."

Two or three constables went to Kwan Sing. One pointed a revolver at him. He saw the third defendant with the revolver. He heard it asked why numbers were being taken.

Kwan Sing looked about with the revolver still pointed at him. He saw a constable take Kwan Sing to the rice stall. They passed him on the way and he crouched down as they passed. He then went to a telephone trying to get Mr. Shaffain but was unsuccessful but later was able to contact Inspector Johnston.

In reply to Mr. Comber witness said that he joined the Police Force in Nov. 28, 1945. He had no other occupation. He had never been to Cleverly Street before. He had met Chan Yuck-ping, mistress of the rice stall, once or twice before the incident. It was at his house. On Feb. 6 he came to his office and told him that the police were damaging her stall when she refused to give them rice. He did not think that she was making an official report but was asking him his advice. He did not know if she was a sister or cousin of his wife. He seldom meddled with these matters. He was sure that the car arrived at 10.45 p.m. He had looked at his watch. He noted the time as he was on duty there. He could not say if other witnesses, who stated that the car arrived at 10.30 p.m., were lying. It was the time by his watch.

In reply to Mr. Comber witness said that he spoke only a little English. He did hear the European Inspector ask for the licence. He could not remember the actual words but he understood what was meant. Pressed by Mr. Comber witness said that as far as he could remember the words "Take down his licence."

He took the numbers of three or four constables. He could not take any more as he did not want his presence known. It was his duty to keep under cover.

At the time Kwan Sing was approached by the constables, he was two or three paces from the stall. Witness was scared when he saw the police car.

Refused

In reply to Mr. Comber witness said that a lot of trouble might have been saved if he had shown his identification card. He had an identification card which was in English.

In reply to Mr. Hon. witness said that he had an identification card. He refused to let the solicitor see it, saying that it was confidential. In reply to Mr. Hon. Mr. Shaffain said that he had no objection to Mr. Hon. seeing it. Witness then said that the document was not issued by Mr. Shaffain. This caused some surprise when Mr. Hon. remarked that Mr. Shaffain, being head of a department, did not know who the document was issued by. The document was handed to the Magistrate by witness. Mr. d'Almada told the court that the word confidential was written on it and that it was not issued by Mr. Shaffain. The document was returned to witness.

The next witness was Cheung King-pun, who stated that he was the interpreter on duty on Feb. 6 at the Charge Room. Some time in the evening he was called by B. I. Clarke to the back room where he saw the first witness.

He was told to take down the particulars of Kwan Sing. In addition he was told by S. I. Clarke to take witness who was also struck where he worked. Witness told him that Lee Lap worked in Oriental Building.

He saw S. I. Clarke move his hand towards Kwan Sing. Asked to explain what he meant by "move," witness said that Clarke struck Kwan Sing. Kwan Sing was also struck where he worked. Continuing witness said he also saw Clarke smoking. He was holding the cigarette in a normal manner. Kwan Sing was standing. He was never on the ground.

Hearing was adjourned till May 10 at 10.30 a.m.

Anti-Trust Suit In US

Washington, May 4. The Supreme Court today returned to the lower court the special three-judge Federal District Court of New York an anti-trust suit against eight movie companies with a forewarning suggestion that stiffer penalties be imposed against them.

The lower court was ordered to reconsider whether the companies achieved a monopoly on displaying movies in first run theatres. The suit, named Paramount, Twentieth-Century Fox, Loews, Warner Brothers and RKO and the "big five" which produce and distribute films also in theatres their own.

The other three, Universal, Columbia and United Artists own theatres. —United Press.

European Blueprint For Production

London, May 3.

A blueprint for a Western European partnership of production has been drafted by the Finance Ministers of Britain, Belgium, the Netherlands, France and Luxembourg.

Responsible British Government sources reported today that the plan is designed to encourage specialisation by the participating countries in production of goods for which each is particularly adapted. It would have three objectives: 1—A trade alliance under which basic necessities will ultimately be freed from tariff barriers in exchange for "the alliance countries." 2—Gradual development of the alliance's economic interdependence. 3—Elimination of industries now operating at a loss because they are deemed essential to one or more of the alliance partnership produces the same goods more efficiently and economically. 4—Development of a chain store system under which the alliance would pool essential import-purchases. —Associated Press.

ALLEGED KILLER'S STORY DENIED

At yesterday's resumed hearing of the trial of Leung Wing and Leung Ngau on a charge of having murdered Ip Woon-nin, 33-year-old motor car driver, both the younger sister and nephew of the first accused denied that he was in their hut at Tai Ping Shan on the night of Feb. 10.

The refusal of the Crown to produce for the inspection of defence counsel an earlier statement made by a prosecution witness unless the defence would agree to put the statement in as evidence after perusal was upheld by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), before whom the case is being heard.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, assisted by Det. Insp. G. E. Willerton, is conducting the case for the prosecution.

Mr. D. A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. J. C. Stewart of Messrs. Tso and Hodgson, is appearing for the defence.

In the absence of the jury and before any witnesses were called, legal argument took place as to the right of defending counsel to see earlier statements made by a witness to the Police.

Mr. Lonsdale, who opposed the application of Mr. Bernacchi and that the statements were prepared for transmission to Crown Counsel. He submitted that such statements were privileged, but would not stand on this point, as the Crown, in the interests of justice, would not do anything which might be construed as an act of injustice to an accused person.

Mr. Lonsdale said that he was agreeable to production of the statements, in this instance, but reserved the right to argue the point in future cases. In conclusion, Mr. Lonsdale said that if the statements were produced, he would have no alternative but to ask that they be put forward as evidence.

"Best Evidence"

Replying, Mr. Bernacchi said that the statements could not be used as evidence, as it would offend against the "best evidence" rule. A statement could only be put in as evidence after a witness had said that the same was untrue and that the witness had never made such a statement. He could not be forced to put in a statement as evidence merely because he had read the statement. Of course, immediately he put any of the contents of the statement to a witness in cross-examination, the witness was entitled to put to witness in cross-examination, other portions of the statement.

Mr. Justice Williams then announced that, after having heard the arguments, which had been put forward by both sides against Mr. Bernacchi.

They jury were then recalled and the Crown called Leung Yat, sanitary cooler employed at the Central Market, who said that he had seen both accused in the cooler quarters at the Central Market on two occasions, but he did not know them.

Leung identified a knife produced in Court as the knife which was used as a chopper in the kitchen of the cooler quarters. He saw the accused in the cooler quarters at the Central Market after having had a drink of wine, he went to sleep at about 7 p.m. on Chinese New Year's Eve. At about 3 a.m. the following morning, he saw second accused, who was talking to Wan Kam. Leung said that he overheard Wan Kam ask second accused who he had come back at that late hour. Wan also enquired of second accused the whereabouts of the other two, meaning Li Fei and first accused.

Leung declared that when he woke up at 3 a.m. he was in a "semi-dreaming" condition. He slept in what was known as the small room with Wan Kam. At the time of his going to bed, he heard Wan ask second accused, who was in the large room, to come to the small room. Second accused came and stood at the doorway.

At this point, Mr. Justice Williams addressed Leung, who was not answering questions in a satisfactory manner, as follows: "What is your age? What is the degree of your intelligence? You are the most stupid witness I have ever seen." "Are you still semi-dreaming?" In reply, Leung said: "My age is 41 or 44, I am not sure."

Continuing, Leung said he did not know Li Fei. He did not see Wan Kam together with accused and another man. After Leung had finished satisfactorily to answer further questions, Mr. Justice Williams said that he did not consider Leung's evidence to be very material. Leung had only shown signs of sheer stupidity, "He appears to be a complete fool," concluded Mr. Justice Williams.

Hostile Witness

Mr. Lonsdale then intimated that he had intended to treat Leung as a hostile witness. But in view of the observations which had been made, would "try him" although he was not hostile. Evidence as to the apprehension of both accused at the Foot Wing Teahouse at about 1.30 p.m. on Feb. 10 was given by Sgt. Major Lau Fook and Chinese Detective Liu Luk. Both witnesses stated that while in the Finger

Print Office at Western Police Station, the accused made a request that Wan Kam be released as he had nothing to do with the matter. Liu Luk denied that he struck or otherwise assaulted first accused.

Det. Insp. Willerton said that on Feb. 11, he went to the Queen Mary Hospital, where he saw deceased, who was seriously wounded about the head. He searched the person of deceased and found the sum of \$40.20 and a wrist watch.

As a result of information, Det. Insp. Willerton said that he went to Victoria Road, where he saw a vehicle 400 parked on the left side of the road with doors open and lights on. Bloodstains were found on different parts of the vehicle. A knife, which was pointed out to him, was found about 15 feet away from the vehicle. A search of the neighbourhood was carried out and traces of bloodstained paper were found.

The time was about 1 a.m. and the Police party carried out their search with the aid of electric torches. The vehicle was later taken to Western Police Station.

Det. Insp. Willerton said that at about 12.45 p.m. on Feb. 11, he received a blue raincoat and felt hat, which were handed to Dr. Gould. Witness said that he went to the Queen Mary Hospital on subsequent occasions. Deceased died on Feb. 20. After his death, some hair was removed from his head and handed to Dr. Gould. Det. Insp. Willerton said that no statement was made by deceased in expectation of death.

Events Related

The events which took place at the Foot Wing Teahouse were also related by Det. Insp. Willerton, who said that the accused were taken to the Police Station because the answers which they gave to questions were not satisfactory. Wan Kam was also taken to the Police Station for the purpose of establishing the ownership of the hat and raincoat. The Police had no intention of keeping Wan Kam under permanent detention. Wan Kam claimed that the raincoat and hat were his property and that they had been borrowed by first accused on the night of Feb. 10. First accused immediately said that he did have the raincoat, but not the hat. He was forthwith cautioned. Both accused were later informed that they were being charged with attempted murder.

Det. Insp. Willerton said that they were kept in a room across the passage, about four yards distance from his own. He did not hear any noise. Accused did not make any complaint to him. When in the Finger Print Office, both accused requested that Wan Kam be released as he had nothing to do with the matter.

Det. Insp. Willerton said that on Feb. 21, he informed both accused that the driver of the car had died in Hospital and that they would be charged with murder. They were subsequently charged on this count and made statements, after being duly cautioned.

Cross-examined. Det. Insp. Willerton, who was first informed that first accused would say that he was assaulted, said he was quite sure that he did not hear any noise. Witness also said that he could not recollect having gone to the room where accused were detained.

Lo Wai-hon, Police Interpreter, testified regarding statements made by the accused. Leung Kim-yau, nephew, and Leung Kiu, younger sister of the first accused, who lived in a hut at Tai Ping Shan, said that first accused was not in the hut on the night of Feb. 10, nor did he have the "flick" there. Both these witnesses said that the accused had come to the hut on several occasions. Leung Kiu said that before the Chinese New Year, they brought clothing to be washed.

Hearing will be resumed at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Canton, May 4. An exhibition of industrial products was opened here yesterday. Some 1,000 items, including machinery, tiny wood screws and daily necessities, are on display. —Central News.

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R.A.F. POLICE FROM JAPAN IN TROUBLE

"We were shaking like leaves when we found the gun and did not know what to do with it," declared R.A.F. Military Policeman William Eric Owen, 28, when he appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday together with another military policeman, Samuel Donald Moore, 23, charged with being in possession of a .45 automatic revolver at Wanchai.

Insp. D. MacPherson of Wanchai C.I.D. said that defendants were arrested outside the White Horse Bar, Wanchai, when they offered to sell a revolver to a Chinese (who happened to be police informer). When questioned it was found that they had just come from H.M.T. "Lancaster" on their way to England from Japan. On the way from Kowloon on the Star Ferry they had found a revolver and brought it to Hong Kong, offering it to a man who was a police informer.

Both men pleaded "Guilty." First defendant said that he had been in the RAF for 10 years and held a certificate for being a military policeman. On their way over to Hong Kong, Moore had picked up the gun and gave it to him to keep. They were both shaking like leaves with fright when they saw the gun that they did not know what to do with it.

"So Scared" Mr. Hin-shing Lo asked him why he did not throw it over the side if he was so scared. Defendant said they did not think of doing that.

They did not take the gun to a police station because they did not know their way around Hong Kong and did not know where to look for police stations. Insp. MacPherson asked that a serious view be taken of the case as he could offer no sympathy on behalf of the police. If services on their way to U.K. were going to stop and try and get rid of their arms to any stray Chinese who would buy the police would meet the gun later under very different circumstances.

He did not believe defendants when they said they had picked the gun up on the ferry because in all his experience he had never heard of a case of a revolver being picked up on a ferry.

Mr. MacPherson said that he had asked the officer on board the transit ship if the type of gun which defendants were trying to sell was the type used in Japan. He was informed that all

troops were issued with that kind of revolver and so were American troops. When he examined defendants' luggage on board ship he discovered Moore had a revolver and twelve rounds of ammunition which he should have handed in when he embarked in Japan. He could not believe that they were so scared that they did not know what to do with the gun as both were military policemen in Japan and carried arms.

Perfect Records
Flight/Lieut. G.S. Muncester said both men had perfect service records. Mr. Lo said that in view of defendants' age and the fact that they were going home on leave after long service in Japan he would give them the option of a fine. He fined them \$1,500 or nine months hard labour each. Flight/Lieut. Muncester addressed the court and said that he was able to pay the fine for them, taking in consideration their next six months pay after certain allowances had been stopped. First defendant could pay up to \$555 and second could pay \$850. Moore also had £11-0-0 of his own. The sentence was reviewed and they were fined \$550 and \$1,000 respectively. Second defendant was fined more because he had picked up the gun on the ferry.

Allegedly Demanded Arms And Money

Committal proceedings against two travelling traders, an unemployed man and a married woman, charged with demanding money and arms with menaces were opened before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Li Yung, travelling trader, 22, Li Ngau, travelling trader, 27, Lo Yau, unemployed, 30, and Ho Ying, married woman, 28, were charged with demanding by threatening letter on March 25 six Sten guns, a dozen automatic pistols and \$50,000 from Li Cheung-wan, demanding with menaces between March 25 and April 8 \$10,000 from Li, demanding by threatening letter on March 31 a dozen automatic pistols and \$30,000 from Pang Tung-hoi, and demanding \$50,000 on April 4 from the New Asia Hotel, Kowloon.

Det. Sub-Inspector Downman prosecuted, while Mr. A. Lau held a watching brief for the first complainant. Li Cheung-wan, in his evidence in chief told the Court that he knew the second defendant from whom he received a letter on March 15 asking for a loan of \$200. Li Ngau did not, however, come for the money. On March 25, witness said he received another letter demanding six Sten guns, a dozen automatic pistols and \$50,000. The letter was threatening, witness declared.

The articles were to be handed over at a place near Shum Chun. Witness said he reported the matter to the police. On March 30, he received a third letter, which asked why he did not comply with the first two letters. Li again reported to the police.

Make Inquiries
At the same time, he instructed his nephew, Ip Kai, to make certain inquiries. On April 6, acting on his nephew's advice, he parked his car at 2 p.m. outside the Man Shing Building in Portland Street and went into the Lung Chau Restaurant, Shanghai Street. There he met second defendant and his nephew. After a short conversation, Ip left them and Li Ngau, then said: "The day before yesterday I brought some explosives and arms to the Corps at Shum Chun, where I met Mr. Hung who asked me whether I knew you. I told him I do and he asked whether you are wealthy. I replied that you are a building contractor but I did not know whether you are wealthy."

Jap Women Jockeys

Tokyo, May 3. Japanese horse racing fans were amazed as they saw women jockeys for the first time on Sunday in a suburban Tokyo track.

Twenty-four year-old Netsuko Kato and 21-year-old Sadako Hashimoto, of Tokyo, attracted plenty of attention with their bright-coloured uniforms but their horses came last—United Press.

April's Dull Weather

April was dull and mild, with a considerable deficit of sunshine and temperatures slightly above average, says the Royal Observatory report on the month. Although the first half of the month was dry, the latter half produced more than average rainfall, most of which fell in showers and thunderstorms on four days. The months figures and departures are as follows:—
Sunshine: 38.1 hrs., 27.2 hrs. below average.
Rainfall: 154.0 mm., 22.0 mm. above average.
Relative humidity: 88%, 3% above average.
Dew point: 68°F, 2°F above average.
Air temperature: 72.1°F, 1.7°F above average.
The maximum temperature was 84.4°F on the 23rd and 24th and the minimum 64.1°F on the 6th. The rainfall recorded at Waiwan Lighthouse during the month was 93.2 mm.

CHILD WITNESS GIVES EVIDENCE IN POLICE EXTORTION CASE

"My mother keeps an opium divan," said 14-year-old Tso Suet Haan when she was giving evidence for the prosecution at the Central Magistracy yesterday in the case against Peter Oliver Guild, Hong Kong Police Inspector, Tam So alias Fai Por So and P.C.C. 99 Chan Pui Lam, charged with demanding money with menaces.

When Tso said her mother was an opium divan keeper the Magistrate asked her if it was still an opium divan. She replied "Yes." Mr. Lo asked Inspector Guild, in charge of the case, if it was still an opium divan. Insp. Guild replied, "Yes, even now."

First to give evidence yesterday was Tso's mother, Lok Siu Huan, of 6, Tang Pak Lane (first floor) who said that on Feb. 5, Tam So came to her house and demanded \$50 so that her divan would not be raided. As she was not operating the divan at the time she would not pay.

Raid Threatened
Tam came again on Feb. 15 at about 8.30 p.m. and asked for \$40 to give to the "fine-fingered" inspectors who would raid the divan immediately if the money was not paid. Witness told Tam to come again the next day and she would pay her. She then informed the police.

Next day at about 6.30 p.m. Insp. Guild and another European policeman gave her a \$10 bill of which they had written down the number. At about 8.30 p.m. Tam So came and she gave her the marked \$10 bill and two other ten dollar notes which were her own money. After putting the money separately in her handbag Tam left. Lok's small daughter, Tso Suet Haan, testified that she was in the house when the police came and gave her another \$10 bill. She was also present when the money was given to Tam So. The case was then adjourned until May 19.

Stole From Clothes-Line

Defendant arrived in the colony only three days ago and himself from a clothes-line. Sub-Inspector Howard told the Court at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when a 25-year-old unemployed appeared in the dock, charged with stealing two white shirts, property of Mr. B.P.F. Marquis of No. 292, Prince Edward Road, from a clothes-line. "SI Howard related was arrested at 5 p.m. at Boundary Street, last Monday, when he was seen coming out of a lane in a hurry by two constables.

Fung explained that he had been assailed by two shirts, still wet, in bid newspaper lying in the lane which defendant, after denying that they belonged to him, admitted to stealing. He also admitted he had told the constables a tale about being assaulted.

Mr. Blair-Kerr sentenced defendant to three months' hard labour and recommended banishment.

Rape Charge Withdrawn

Leonard Walter Hempel, restaurant manager of No. 36, Nathan Road, was discharged by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when the police withdrew a charge of rape against him.

Twenty-four-year-old Hempel had been accused of having carnal knowledge of a 23-year-old married woman without her consent on a staircase in Pileken Street on April 24. He denied the allegation. When the case came up for hearing yesterday, Det-Inspector J.M. Forrest asked the Court for leave to withdraw the case.

TOC-H TALK

At the meeting of Toc H this evening, Lieut. Eric Verge, R.N., will talk on "Anglican Church Music" and all men interested are invited to attend. Toc H meet at Talbot House, 80, Macdonnell Road, Hong Kong at 8.30. The meeting night is now on Wednesday.

Suicide Verdict

Death by suicide because of an unbalanced mind was the verdict at the inquest at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with Mr. Latimer sitting as Coroner, on Chan Fook-hop, who was found in his hut opposite the Shatin Railway Station on April 10 with his throat slit by a chopper. Dr. R. E. Alvarez said that his post-mortem examination of the body revealed a four and a half inch-incise wound just below the Adam's apple across the front of the neck. There were no other external marks of violence. Death in witness's opinion was due to the incise wound, haemorrhage and shock. It had an appearance consistent with suicide, Dr. Alvarez declared, adding that it was a "typical case of cutting the throat."

A sharp instrument, like the chopper produced in court, could have caused the wound, Dr. Alvarez concluded.

Possessed Ammunition

Had Chu Kwong informed the police immediately of his discovery on April 20 of ammunition under a stone at the junction of Customs Pass and Sai Kung Road, it would have been a different tale told at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday before Mr. Latimer. Instead, the evasive defendant, with a fellow-villager, Chu Chiu, at Nanking Street, and requested him to locate a buyer. Chu Chiu, the trusted "friend," was more law-abiding and notified the police, and defendant was arrested.

Escapade Sentenced

After 15 days freedom a 17-year-old escapee was hauled in again through the vigilance of a disciplinary officer 315 of the Stanley Reformatory. Chan Kan who had two previous convictions and was serving a two-year sentence for stealing when he escaped at 6.30 a.m. on April 15, was recognised by the officer in Shanghai Street, near Argyle Street.

Appearing in the dock at Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Blair-Kerr yesterday, Chan was sentenced to eight months' hard labour and recommended for banishment. Sub-Inspector Howard prosecuted.

Passenger Tricycle Ban

It is learned authoritatively that a decision has been reached to cancel all licences for passenger-carrying tricycles within the next six months. These tricycles were introduced into the colony by the Japanese occupation authorities during the war as normal transportation facilities gradually broke down. With the rapidly growing volume of other forms of traffic, the tricycles have long been superfluous as well as a general traffic menace.

There will be no concert by the Y.M.C.A. Music Group next Friday because of the Dramatic Club's production of "Peg O' My Heart."

Letter To The Editor

Teachers' Salaries

Sir.—The letterette appearing in the "Sunday Herald" on Teachers' Salaries seems to have correctly summed up the feelings prevailing among the Grant-in-Aid Teachers. It is hard to understand the non-committal attitude of Government. If they have made a favourable recommendation, is there any reason why they should not so state and thus dispel to a certain extent the uncertainty which has been hanging like the sword of Damocles over the heads of the poor teachers? By not taking the public into confidence, they have certainly given the impression of evasiveness and have instilled on the teachers the fear that they are being "done in the eye."

Although not a teacher, I was the first to enter the list in defence of what I considered, and still consider, to be a just cause. Now that able pens than mine have come forward, including the local press and the Teachers' Association, I feel that the teachers need not worry and that full justice will be done to them. CLEPSYDRA.

Donations

The following further donations collected by past and present nurses of the Nethersole Hospital for the Nurses Home Fund have been received through their group captains:—
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PRICE INDEX

The food and fuel costs for the week ending May 1, issued by the Labour Office:—
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Rice & Flour ... 7.2 \$4,080
Vegetables ... 1.0 770
Salt Cabbage ... 2 200
Oil ... 7 1,580
Tea ... 2 950
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Fish ... 4 820
Pork ... 3 880
Firewood ... 10.0 700
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Total ... \$12,370

PISTOL FOUND IN RUBBISH

Amongst rubbish swept off the gutters near No. 1, Hano Road, Kowloon, by a Sanitary Department collic on last Monday were a defective Japanese automatic pistol and several rounds of ammunition.

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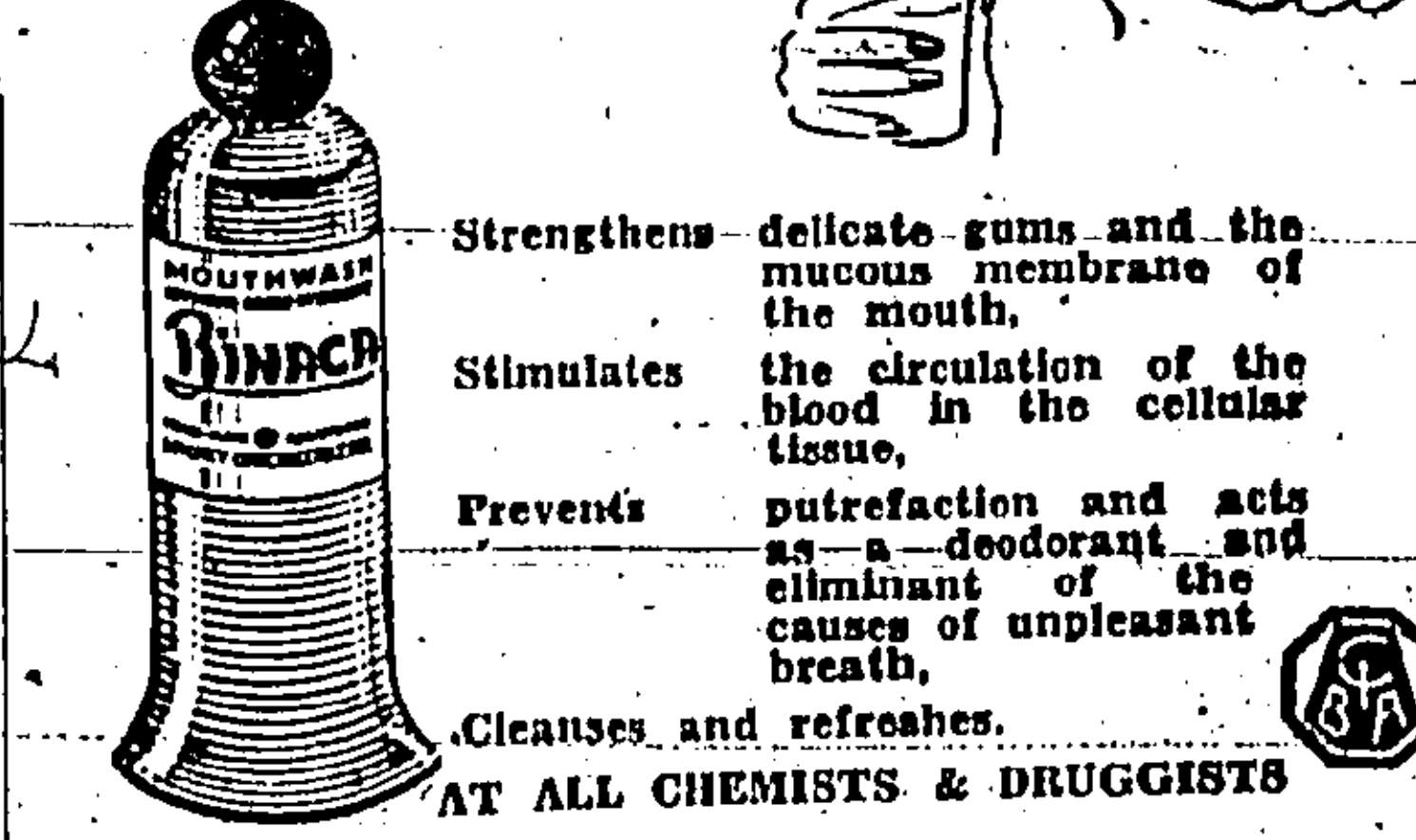
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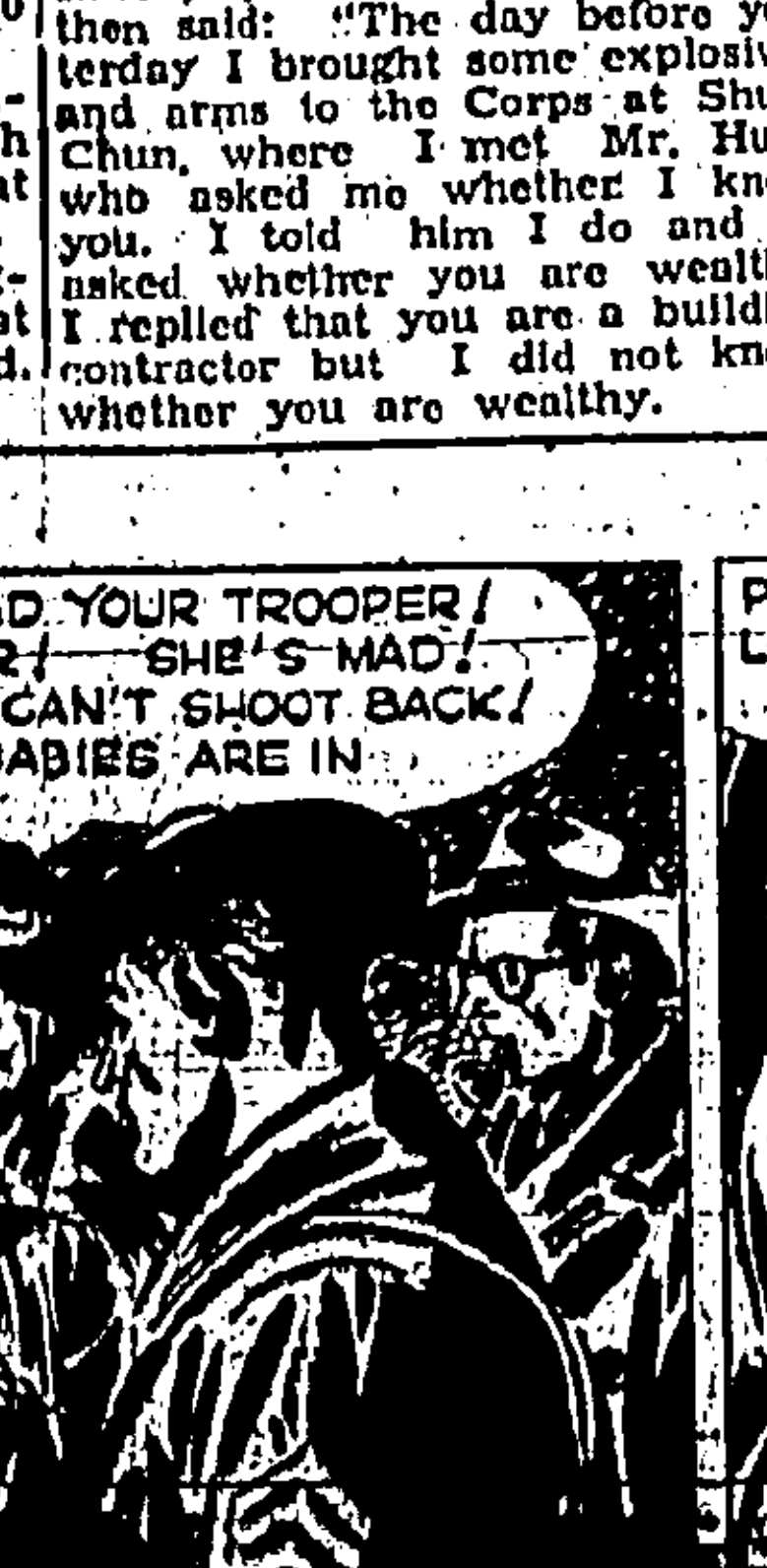
Today
General Holiday for celebrating election of Pres. Chiang Kai-shek.

Exhibition of all paintings & water colours by Luis Chan, St. Francis Hotel, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Sino-British Club Orchestra, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8 p.m.
Charity Ball by H.K. Chinese Women's Club, "The Grips", H.K. Hotel, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Exhibition of 30 paintings of H.K. flowers and fruits by Dr. C. A. Herkots, SCM Post Board Room, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Coming Events TOMORROW
Y's Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Opening night of "Peg O' My Heart" at European YMCA, West Lounge Theatre, 8.30 p.m.
Annual meetings of Alma Mater, Ltd., and Samagaga Rubber Co., Ltd. at 601-600 Marina House, 12.15 p.m. & 12.30 p.m.

St. Thomas More Associated Lecture on "Theresa Neuman—A Wonder of Our Time" by Rev. Fr. E. Bourke, S.J., Catholic Club, King's Bldg., 5.30 p.m.
FRIDAY
Second Night of "Peg O' My Heart" at European YMCA, West Lounge Theatre, 8.30 p.m.
Opening night of "The Unfortunate Beauty" by Wah Yan Dramatic Society, at Wah Yan College, 8.30 p.m.
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ers in the abovementioned Com-
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To receive and consider the
Directors' Report and Statement
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Bao Dai, 34-year-old former ruler of the Indo-
Chinese states of Tonkin and Annam, will only
return if asked to do so by a popular referen-
dum, and after peace has been re-established
in Indo-China.

This was stated today by General Nguyen Van Xuan,
President of the Provisional Government of the
South Indo-Chinese state of Cochin-China,
just back from a series of talks with Bao Dai
in Hong Kong.

Socialist Newspaper On Its Last Legs

Paris, May 3.

The French Socialist Party
organ, Le Populaire, is selling
its cars to raise cash.
An announcement in the paper
today said it almost failed to ap-
pear yesterday "for lack of 180,-
000 francs" with which to pay
the printers "who will not grant
us another penny-credit."

A desperate effort is to be
made to save the paper by dra-
goning economies and urgent appeals
for financial support from read-
ers.

The difficulties of the paper ap-
pear to reflect the declining sup-
port for the Socialists by the
French electorate, which has been
continuous since the end of the
war and particularly marked
since the municipal elections last
October.

The recent rate of decline coin-
cides with the policy, set for the
party by M. Leon Blum, of being
equally anti-Communist and
anti-Gaullist.—Reuter.

Currency Smuggler Fined

Dover, May 3.

Edward Nicholson, 58, who
said he owned a store in New
York, was fined £400 today for
attempting to bring £388 into
Britain.

Currency regulations permit
persons entering the country to
bring in only £10.

A magistrate's court was told
that the money was found in eight
packages hung from a strap
around Nicholson's waist. Nichol-
son said he had come from France
to attend the British Industries
Fair and that he had hoped to
repay a brother in Edinburgh
for assistance his brother gave
him in reaching the United States
after the first world war.

The money Nicholson carried
was confiscated. He was told that
if he could not pay the fine he
would have to serve three months
in prison.—Associated Press.

Chennault's Invasion Warning

San Francisco, May 3.

General Claire Chennault
today reiterated his warning
that a Russian invasion of
Europe will be imminent—as
soon as the Chinese Communists
secure all of China north of the
Yangtze.

In an interview, the former U.S.
Air Commander in China again
urged that the United States im-
mediately lend China between
\$1,500,000,000 and \$2,000,000,000
for military purposes.

"Give the Chinese National
government that now, and we will
save billions later." Meanwhile
they will do our fighting for us.
And they will be able to defeat
the Communists.

"Do not give it to them, and the
Communists are likely to win.
Immediately it will be necessary
for the United States Government
to boost its military appropriation
from around \$15,000,000,000 to
\$30,000,000,000."—Associated
Press.

Royal Marriage Sometime Somewhere

Lausanne, May 3.

Former King Michael of
Rumania will marry Princess
Anne of Bourbon "sometime
somewhere" sources close to
Michael's household said in
Lausanne last night.

Reminded of the Papal ban
against the marriage of Michael,
Greek Orthodox Church, with
Anne, a Catholic, the sources said
"that is not of much importance."
There have been reports that
the 26-year-old ex-king would
marry the 24-year-old Princess in
Denmark this month.

One of the ex-king's closest
associates said that he could not
say whether the wedding would
be this Spring, this Summer or in
the Autumn.

"But everything is under control
and it will not be too long before
they will be married."

ARMED AGAINST HUKS

Manila, May 3.

The Manila Bulletin reported
today that 200 firearms have
been given to people in Bulacan
Province, northwest of Manila,
to repel Hukbalahap raiders.—
Reuter.

"FANTASTIC LIES" BY REDS IN KOREA

Washington, May 3.

Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge, American occupation
commander of Southern Korea, today accused
Russia of spreading "fantastic lies" about the
United States as part of the Communist pro-
gramme to turn all Koreans into Soviet slaves.
In a 1,000-word statement to the Korean people,
Hodge warned that surrender to the Soviet
plans "promises only national death to Korea."

Recalling the Soviet-American
break which divided Korea
into two sealed-off occupation
zones, Hodge said: "The re-
cord is clear that the Soviets,
who are the Korean stooges who
want to sell Korea into Com-
munist slavery, have spared no
effort to lay the blame on the
United States."

Hodge denounced the Com-
munist-run Northern Korean
government for approving the
new constitution which claimed
jurisdiction over all Korea. He
said it was approved simply by a
"handful of appointed stooges
who take all their orders from
their foreign masters."

"Give your answer by voting in
the May 10 elections in the
American occupied Southern
Korea."

He charged they were boy-
cotting the election because they
"know it will show up the
numerical weakness of those
Koreans who want to sell their
nation into slavery of a Communist
satellite state.... Elections
they fear are elections under the
observation of impartial interna-
tional observers as opposed to
elections rigged in the Communist
style."

The Communist radio Pyong-
yang in Soviet occupied Northern
Korea began talking about North
Korean elections which would
compete with the United Nations
sponsored balloting south of the
38th Parallel.

The elections would be to
select an Assembly under the
constitution which the Communist
puppet government already has
approved. The assembly itself is
supposed to confirm the deci-
sions.

Pyongyang failed to say when
the elections might be held.
American officials meanwhile are
saying nothing about the latest
Communist proposal that both the
Soviet and American occupation
troops withdraw from the North-
South Political conference at
Pyongyang addressed to Moscow
and Washington was delivered to
the American diplomatic repre-
sentatives here, but they did not
admit it was relayed to Washing-
ton as they do not recognise any
of the groups in North Korea ex-
cept the Russians.—United Press.

MANILA BLAZE

Manila, May 3.

An early morning fire today
destroyed eight business es-
tablishments in the northwest
business section of downtown
Manila, with damage estimated
by the police at \$150,000. No
one was injured and the au-
thorities are continuing their in-
vestigation of the cause of the
blaze.—Reuter.

Exit Not Honourable

Bangkok, May 3.

Seven members of the
Siamese Parliament today
addressed a plea to the Bur-
mese Government to spare the
life of U. Saw, ex-Premier,
who has been condemned to
death for plotting the assassi-
nation of U. Aung San and
other members of the Bur-
mese Cabinet last July.

In a note to the Burmese
Government, they said "poli-
ticians should be given a
more honourable exit.—Reu-
ter.

Human Race May Vanish In War

Columbus, May 4.

Brook Chisholm, Canadian
psychiatrist and executive
secretary of the United Nations
World Health Organisation, said
today that the human race may
vanish if recently discovered
biological weapons are turned
loose on the world.

"Unless man can make appro-
priate adjustments to the revolu-
tionary situation brought about by
recently discovered biological wea-
pons, all humanity may go the
way of all flesh," Chisholm said
in an address to the Institute for
Education by Radio on the Ohio
State University campus today.

He said the aim of all educa-
tion must be the development of
a citizenry which has reached a
degree of maturity, and makes it
fit in with the great variety of
people throughout the world.—
United Press.

Jap Raw Cotton Trade Opened

Tokyo May 4.

General MacArthur's Foreign
Trade Director today announced
the opening to foreign private
traders of raw cotton trade
with Japan and invited inter-
ested traders and shippers to
submit their offers to the Japane-
se Board of Trade.

Mr. Frank Pickell, chief of
Allied Headquarters' Foreign
Trade Division, called the opening
of the raw cotton trade to private
sellers another step forward to-
wards liberalizing trade and ex-
panding private channels.

To date, all cotton purchased for
the Japanese account has been
procured on a government to
government basis.

"Japan is in the market for
raw cotton of all staple lengths
as well as spinable waste," said
Mr. Pickell.

"It is hoped we can meet all
our requirements through private
sellers, although government to
government procurement will be
negotiated as required."—United
Press.

Siamese Government Recognized

Bangkok, May 3.

The United States formally
acknowledged the new Siamese
Government of Premier Luang
Pibul Songgram today.

A note to this effect was sent
to the Foreign Office by U.S.
Ambassador Edwin F. Stanton.
This step followed similar action
over the week-end by Britain,
China, Denmark and the Nether-
lands.

A military clique which Pibul
headed, staged a coup last
November, ousting Premier Luang
Thamrong Nawagawat. Pibul
himself became Premier after
the military brought him to
power last month to succeed
Premier Kiang Aphaiwong.—
Associated Press.

YARD STRIKE OVER

Trieste, May 3.

Workers at the San Marco
shipyards here ended their one-
day sitdown strike tonight after
the reinstatement of a man they
claimed had been wrongly dis-
missed.

The workers' union said the
man was dismissed for speaking
at an unauthorized May Day
demonstration.—Reuter.

CRASHED IN GARDEN

Brussels, May 3.

A Dutch military aircraft
crashed today in a garden at St.
Nicolas Woes, in western Fland-
ers, killing both passengers, the
pilot, Lieutenant Van Elmeren
and a Dutch Air Force sergeant.—
Reuter.

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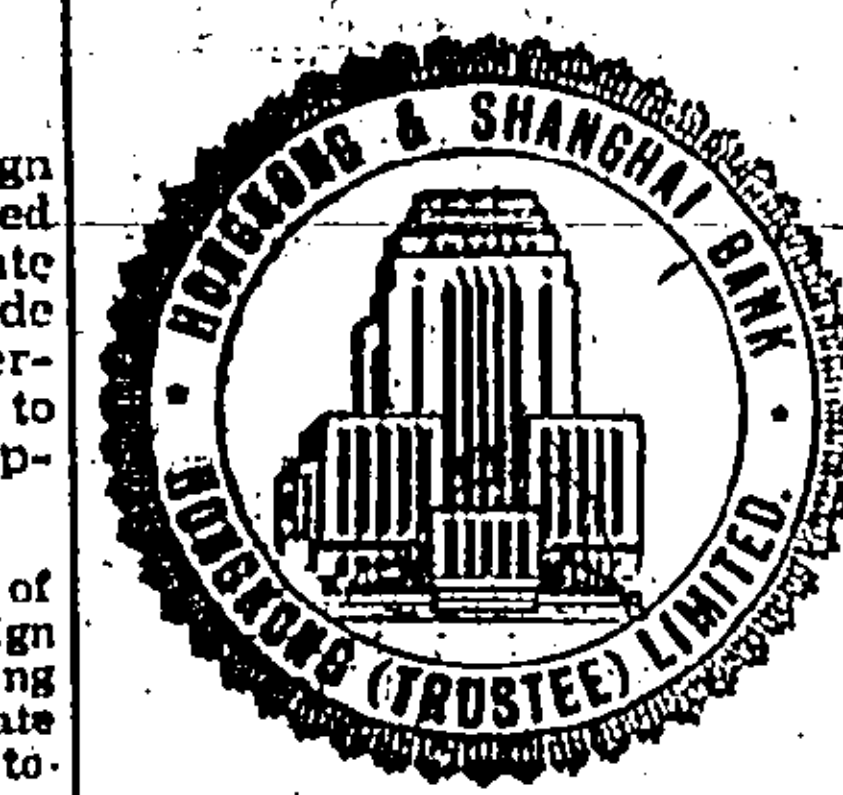
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HONG KONG.**China's Constitutional Leaders**

For the first time in China's history, the President and Vice-President of China have been constitutionally elected. To-day was to have been the official inauguration day but the ceremony has been temporarily postponed. Brief biographical sketches of President Chiang Kai-shek and Vice-President Li Tsung-jen are given below:

CHIANG KAI-SHEK

Born 61 years ago in the remote village of Chikow, Chekiang Province, Chiang Kai-shek was elected on April 19, 1948, as China's first Constitutional President.

He is one of China's original revolutionaries and in 1925 took over the leadership of the Chinese nation from the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, better known as the "Father of the Chinese Republic."

In 1911, when the Manchu Dynasty was overthrown, Chiang accompanied Dr. Sun back to China to participate in the revolution. For a short period in 1917, Chiang divorced himself from politics and engaged in business. In 1921, however, he returned to the Army and two years later was sent to Moscow for six months.

By 1925 Chiang had risen to become Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Kuomintang and when Dr. Sun Yat-sen died the same year he became Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces. From then on until 1928 he was engaged in unifying China by eliminating all warlords from the South to the North as far as Peiping.

However, a year before he reached Peiping, a split had occurred in the Kuomintang ranks. As a result, for the next ten years, Chiang's armies were engaged in battle with China's Communists. This battle came to a temporary end when the Sino-Japanese war broke out in 1937.

In March, 1938, Chiang was appointed Director-General of the Kuomintang. This made him head of the Party as well as the Government.

Described as one of the most sincere men in China, General Li Tsung-jen, a native of Kwangsi Province, was elected Vice-President of China on April 29, 1948, by a margin of 143 votes. Born in 1880, Li joined the Kuomintang when still at military college. He joined the Revolution in 1925 and became one of Chiang Kai-shek's best officers.

When the nation was unified under one government by the taking of Peiping, General Li returned to Kwangsi and devoted himself to modernizing his native province.

In Kwangsi, he introduced local self-government, a system of compulsory elementary education, built a network of highways and established militia for protecting the province against outside invaders. In less than three years, Kwangsi became known as the model province of China.

Li and Chiang have not always seen eye to eye. In 1933, Li demonstrated his disapproval of Chiang's apparent wavering before the Japanese and together with other Kwangsi generals seceded to their Kwangsi stronghold and set up a virtually independent regime known as the South-West Political Council.

However, when the Sino-Japanese war broke out, Li discarded his personal grievances and gave the nation his unstinted support in money, material and men. Under his direction Chinese troops scored one of the most celebrated battles against the Japanese at Talerchwang.

When World War II came to an end, Chiang appointed Li his personal representative for the North-east with headquarters in Peiping.

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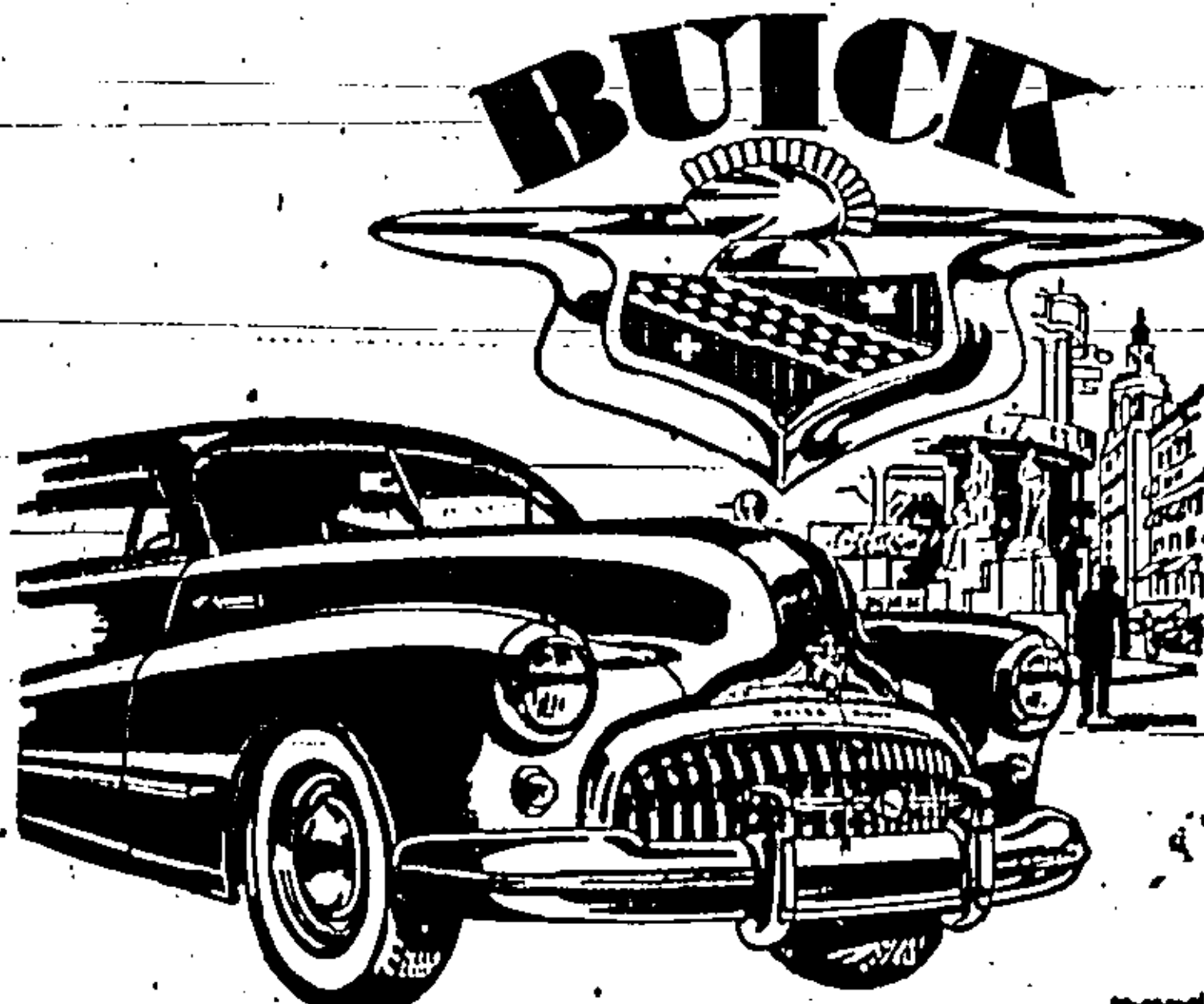
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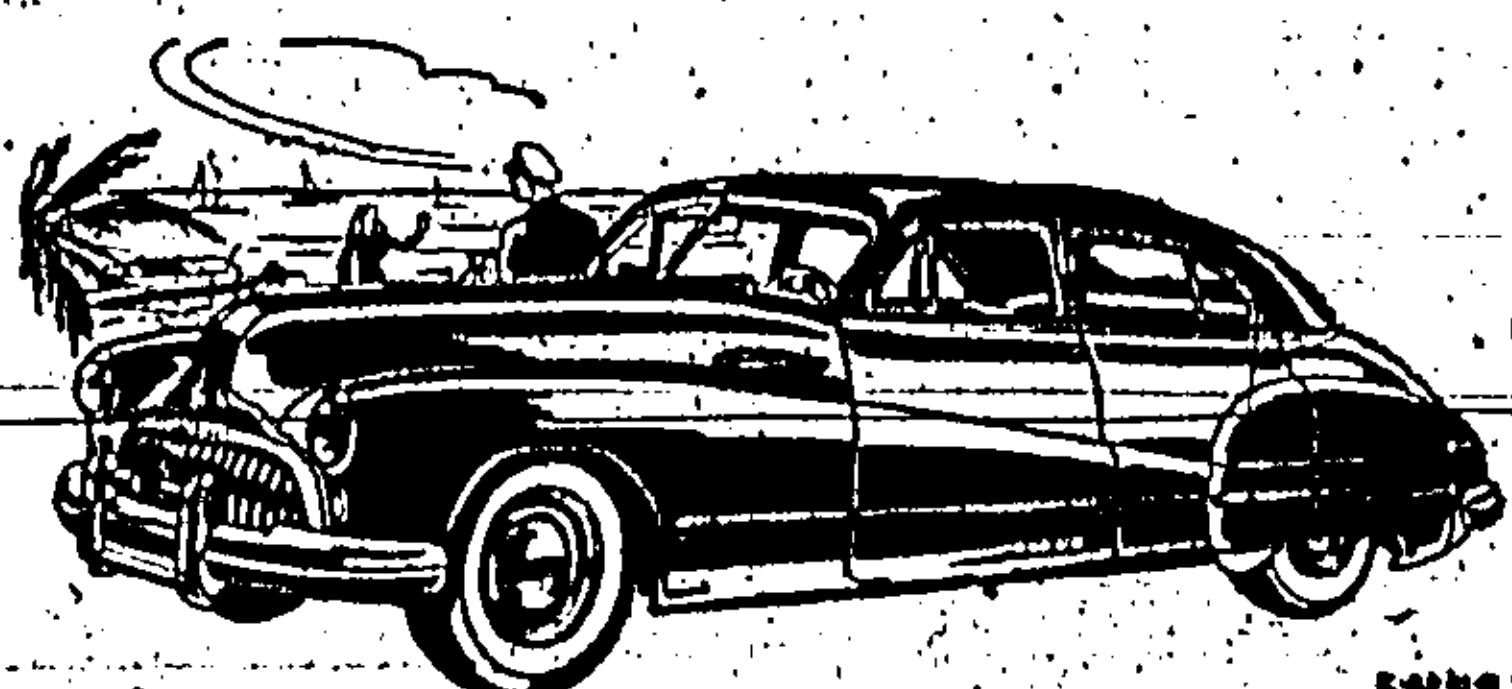
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LABOUR CRITIC OF FOREIGN POLICY

London, May 3. The Labour Member of Parliament, Mr. Konni Zilliacus, criticised the foreign policy of the Government today in a speech in the House of Commons.

He stated that the party had been "untrue to the very foundations of the Socialist faith" in failing to maintain friendly relations with the Soviet Union in countries where they cooperate with the Communists.

This policy, he thought, had isolated the British Labour Party from the greater part of the European working class.

Mr. Zilliacus was one of 21 Labour Members who signed a telegram of good wishes sent to Signor Pietro Nenni before the Italian general elections. They have been threatened with expulsion from the party if they do not give assurances of future fidelity by Thursday morning.

They are meeting for a final decision tomorrow.

Mr. John P. Mills, a leading signatory of the telegram, who has already been expelled, said tonight he hoped to be allowed to raise his case at the annual conference of the Labour Party on May 17.—Reuter.

Security Moves In Yukon

White Horse, Yukon Territory, May 3. At a rate unequalled since the end of the war, United States troops and supplies are moving through Canada to Alaska, in the Arctic. Fifty miles across the Bering Strait is the nearest land, the Tchukotka peninsula of Siberia.

Troops are being moved largely by air, and supplies by rail to Dawson Creek, British Columbia, and thence to Fairbanks, Alaska, over the famous Alaskan Highway which runs through British Columbia and the Yukon. Canadian movement facilities are hard-pressed.

United States Army establishments at Edmonton, Alberta, and Fort Nelson, British Columbia, the two key staging routes from Great Falls, Montana, to Alaska, have been greatly enlarged since early this year.

United States troops are confined to barracks during their halts in Edmonton. Few are ever seen on the streets.

Top Secret

United States military supplies passing through Edmonton by all generally do so at night without halting. Despite these precautions, the whole Canadian Northwest knows of the movements.

A shop girl in White Horse told Reuters correspondent that a convoy had passed through to Alaska on a top secret basis. Security consciousness is evident everywhere. Walls are covered with slogans that became familiar to Reuters correspondents.

Just finishing a trip over the Canadian section of the Northwest staging route, found a distinct cleavage in opinion between the Canadians manning the stations and the Americans on their way to Alaska.

War Favor

The American officers and troops seemed convinced that they were headed for combat service and that soon they would be in action to defend the continent.

Canadian troops and officers were sceptical almost to a man of the thought that war was imminent, that if it did come, any major portion of it would be fought in the Northland.

This also appears to be the opinion of the Canadian Government. Not one Canadian serviceman is stationed in the Canadian Northwest on a combat basis.

There is not a single man whose present role it is to defend the Alaskan highway from attack nor is there one on any of the seven huge Canadian airfields between Edmonton and Fairbanks. Canadian troops in this area are concentrating entirely on training and the maintenance of the Alaska highway and the airfields.—Reuter.

Taylor's Tour

The Western Union also was believed to have figured in conversations held by Myron Taylor, special representative of President Truman, with British officials. Taylor left for Paris yesterday.

Both the American Embassy and the British Foreign Office disclaimed knowledge of Taylor's appointments but it was thought likely he consulted Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin.

Taylor was understood to be exploring the defence of Western Europe. He visited Lisbon, Madrid and Rome before coming here.

The brief communiqué issued after the meeting gave no indication of the members of the new joint permanent military committee or when further meeting may be anticipated.—United Press.

Vote For Draft In U.S.

Washington, May 3. The House Armed Services Committee voted 28-5 today for a peacetime draft designed to help build up a military force of more than 2,000,000 men.

Men from 18 through 30 would have to register with those from 19 through 25 liable for two years service. Most veterans would be exempt.

The House is due to start debate next week on the measure. Secretary of Defence James V. Forrestal praised the measure as an excellent one to cope with what he called world tension and others have called the threat of war with Russia.

At the same time, Forrestal said he prefers a Senate draft bill which also provides for training of 18-year-olds as reserves. These would train in the Armed Services along with draftees. The Senate Armed Services Committee worked on this measure in secret today.

Assuming both House and Senate have different versions of a draft bill, the final law will be a compromise.—Associated Press.

Prince's Honesty Loses Him Money

Tokyo, May 4.

Ex-Prince Naruhiko Higashikuni, uncle to Emperor Hirohito and formerly Prime Minister of Japan, is losing heavily in business.

He recently started a food store in Tokyo following his demotion to a commoner from the ranks of nobility, together with other members of Japan's aristocracy.

Deprived of most of his wealth by heavy taxes and of his clothes by two burglaries, Mr. Higashikuni decided to break all precedents by going into business.

Although he has so far lost 1,700,000 yen, which is reported, he could recuperate if he indulges in black market activities, he refuses to involve himself in illegal transactions.

He has only been able to steer clear of bankruptcy by the thrifty business done at his other venture—a curio shop.

He is said to have found eager customers for his numerous family valuables, which he displays in his curio window.

The ex-Prince still maintains all 12 members of his former household attendants, whom he employs in his two stores.—Reuter.

Denounces Government

London, May 3.

A bloomer-wearing Scots-woman today denounced the Government for permitting lipstick and silk panties to women convicts and air service girls.

Mrs. M. D. Canning of Glasgow, in a letter to the Reynolds News, declared: "No bulky bloomers for them, thanks to the amazing tolerance and generosity of hard-working, law-abiding taxpayers. This new brand of so-called social justice is a cockeyed affair!"

Mrs. Canning said that, as the wife of a worker getting £3-15 weekly wages, she was obliged to join the "well-patched bloomer brigade."—United Press.

Talks On Ceylon's Pound Balances

Colombo, May 3.

After their successful talks with the British Government on Ceylon's sterling and dollar balances, Sir Oliver Goontilleke, the Ceylonese Home Minister, and Mr. J. R. Jayawardene, the Finance Minister, arrived at Katunayaka airfield here today.

"The discussions and negotiations on all matters under examination could not have gone better," Sir Oliver said.

"Regarding the sterling and dollar balances, a detailed agreement was signed on Friday."

"These documents will now be submitted to the respective Cabinets of the two countries. I have no doubt they will be accepted by both Governments. After this acceptance, there will be a simultaneous publication of the full agreement."

M. Jayawardene said discussions also took place with the officials of the Bank of England and with a view to establishing a reserve bank soon in Ceylon.

The necessary assistance was promised, he said.

Before leaving for London on March 10, to discuss Ceylon's sterling balances (£53 million at the end of 1947), Sir Oliver

Goontilleke said Ceylon's short term and immediate sterling and dollar requirements would be confined to her most essential needs.

"We shall also approach the problem with a full realization of the difficulties of the British Government," he said.—Reuter.

They did not even know what country they were in.

Six men and three women made up the group, among them a tutor who had been more than 50 years in Russia and a 73-year-old woman. They have now been returned to France.

A French spokesman said "the whole thing is highly irregular and is, apparently, a reprisal for the French Government's expulsion some months ago of Soviet citizens from France."—Reuter.

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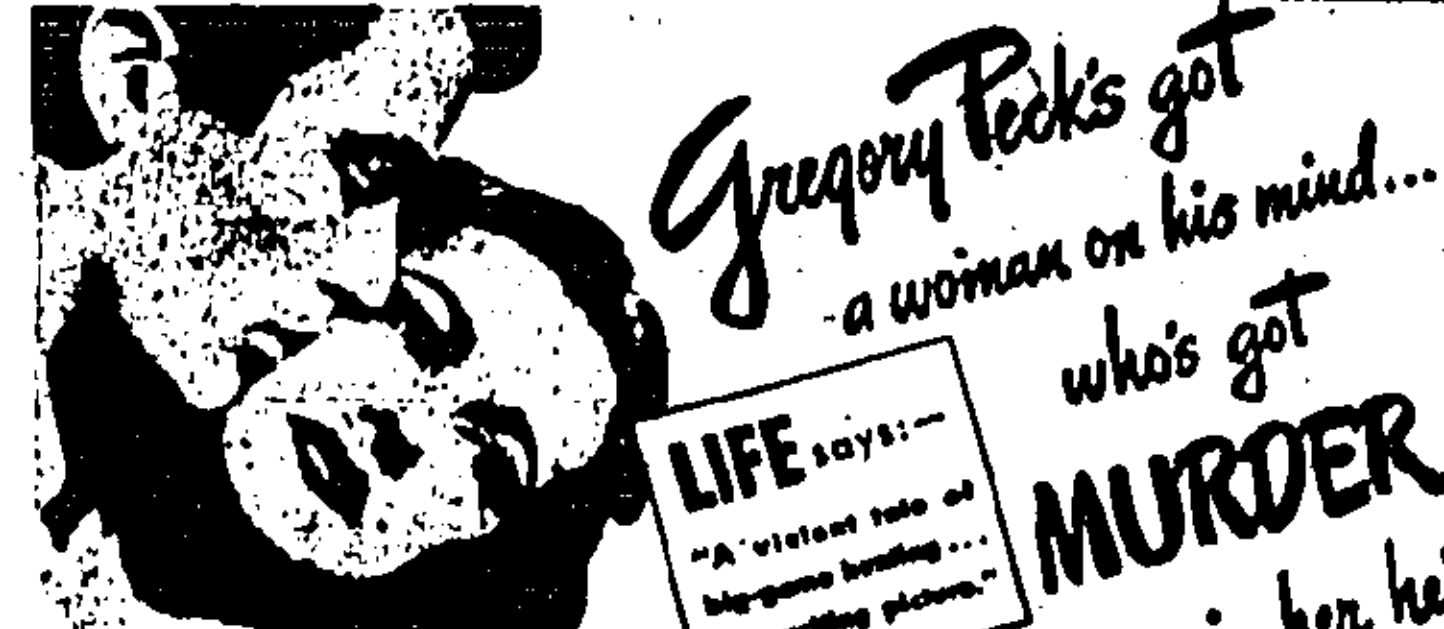


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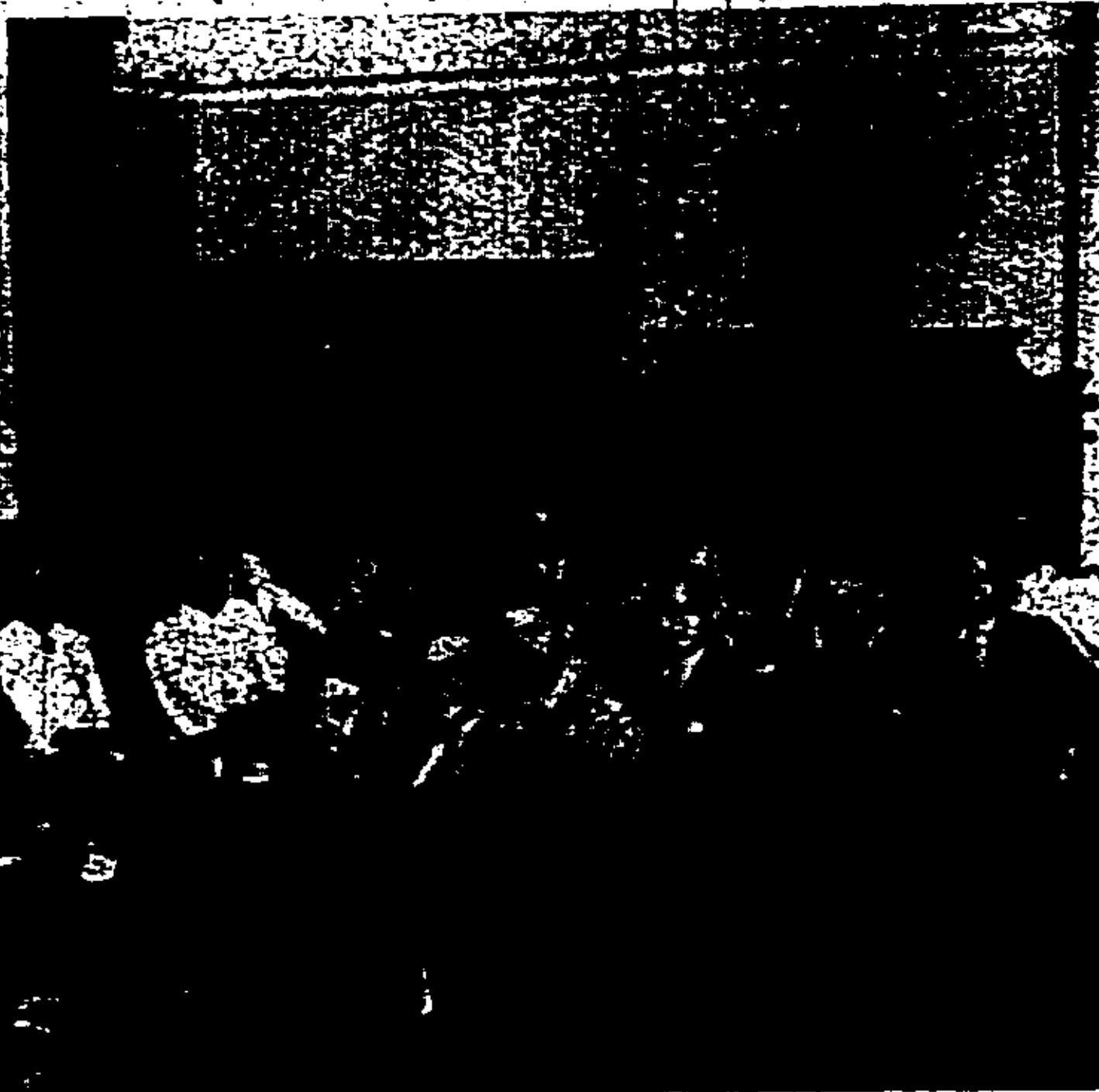
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FAREWELL PARTY given to Senior Superintendent Shaftain (standing.) In this picture are Mr. Shum Wai Yau ("Wah Kiu Yat Po") and the Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. D. M. MacDougall, C. M. G. (Gainsborough Studios.)



NEW JUNIOR SCHOOL

One of the highlights of the week in Hong Kong was the opening of the new Diocesan Junior School in Kowloon on Monday, April 27. Erected in the grounds of the Senior Diocesan School, it will accommodate a further 250 pupils. Half the cost of building was paid by Government, the school was required to find the other half.



A GROUP at the party given to Sen. Superintendent Shaftain, director of the Anti-Corruption Section, on his retirement. (Gainsborough Studios.)



ON THE STAND at the opening of the new Diocesan Junior School: Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Bishop Hall, Miss Hurrell (headmistress), and Mrs. M. K. Lo. (China Mail.)



MRS. M. K. LO, after being presented with a flower basket by a member of the school, walks down the "honour square" with Bishop Hall. (China Mail.)



INTERESTED FACES.—Wide eyes watch the ceremony as the pupils look on from the grounds of the Senior School.

YOUNG GIRLS lining up in front of interested members of the lower school. (China Mail.)





Young Amber St. Clare (Linda Darnell) is serving in the tavern when Lord Almsbury (Richard Greene) rides by with his friend Bruce Carlton (Cornel Wilde). They stop.

"FOREVER AMBER"

20th Century-Fox brings Kathleen Winsor's lusty, gusty novel to the screen. Opening at the King's Theatre, Wednesday, May 5.

"Forever Amber", a controversial novel of 17th Century London, is the story of a nobleman's illegitimate daughter, brought up in the country, who dreams of London, lovers and fame — and eventually finds all three, although in the doing of it she loses the one man she loves. (Filmed in Technicolour.)



Taken to London by Bruce Carlton, Amber falls ill and is saved by her love for Bruce.

Bruce returns years later from his roving, and meets his young son. Amber still loves him, but he is only fond of her.

Amber is thrown into prison after Bruce leaves London. There she is befriended by powerful underworld figure, Black Jack Mallard (John Russell). His ship returns to London in time for the dreaded plague to catch at Bruce.



Found in Amber's room by her husband Captain Rex Morgan (Glenn Langan), Lord Almsbury assures him that he has known her since she was "that high."



At a ball in the Palace Amber meets the Earl of Radcliffe, a wealthy nobleman.

She marries the Earl for his mysterious personality, but later finds that he repels her.

MACAO

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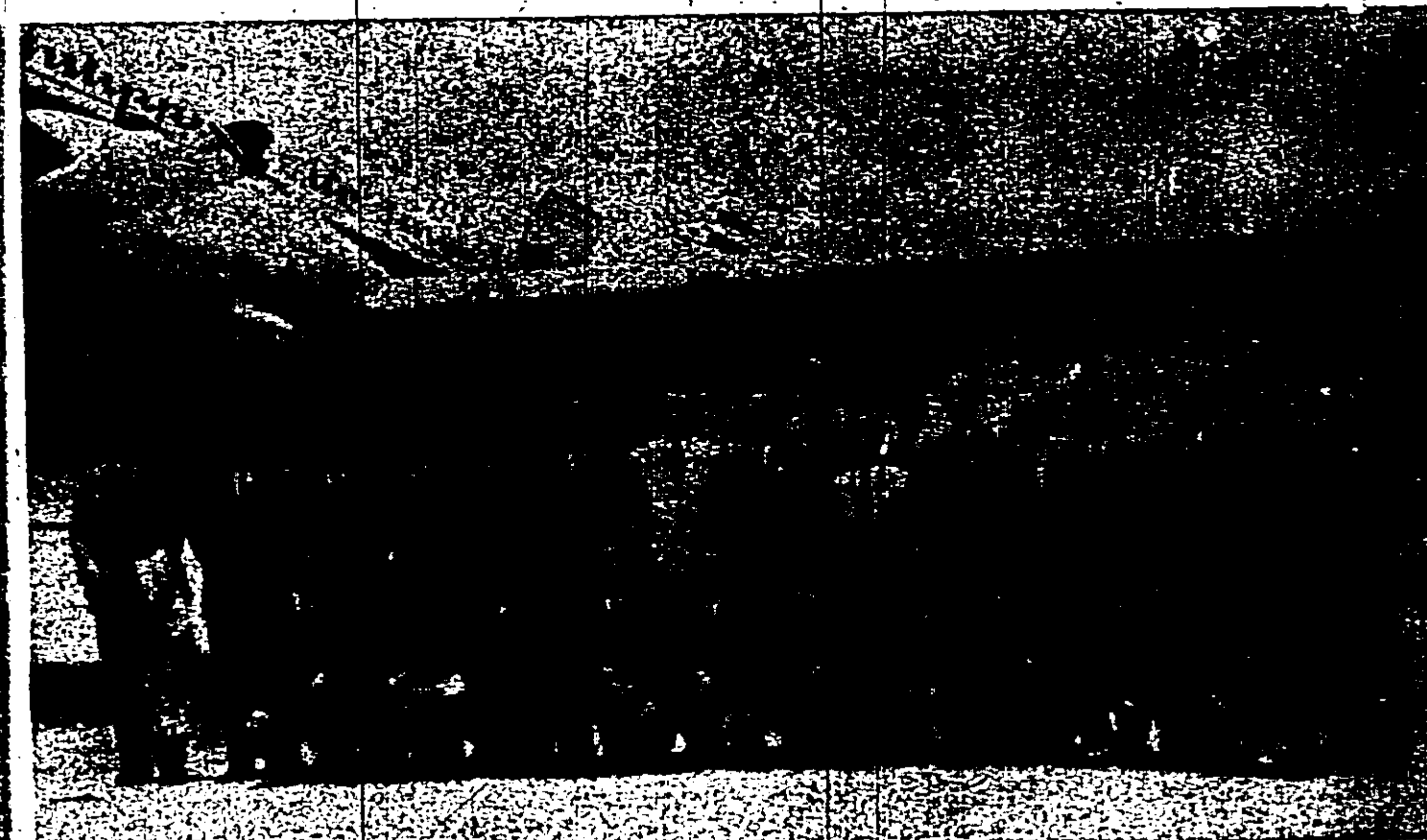
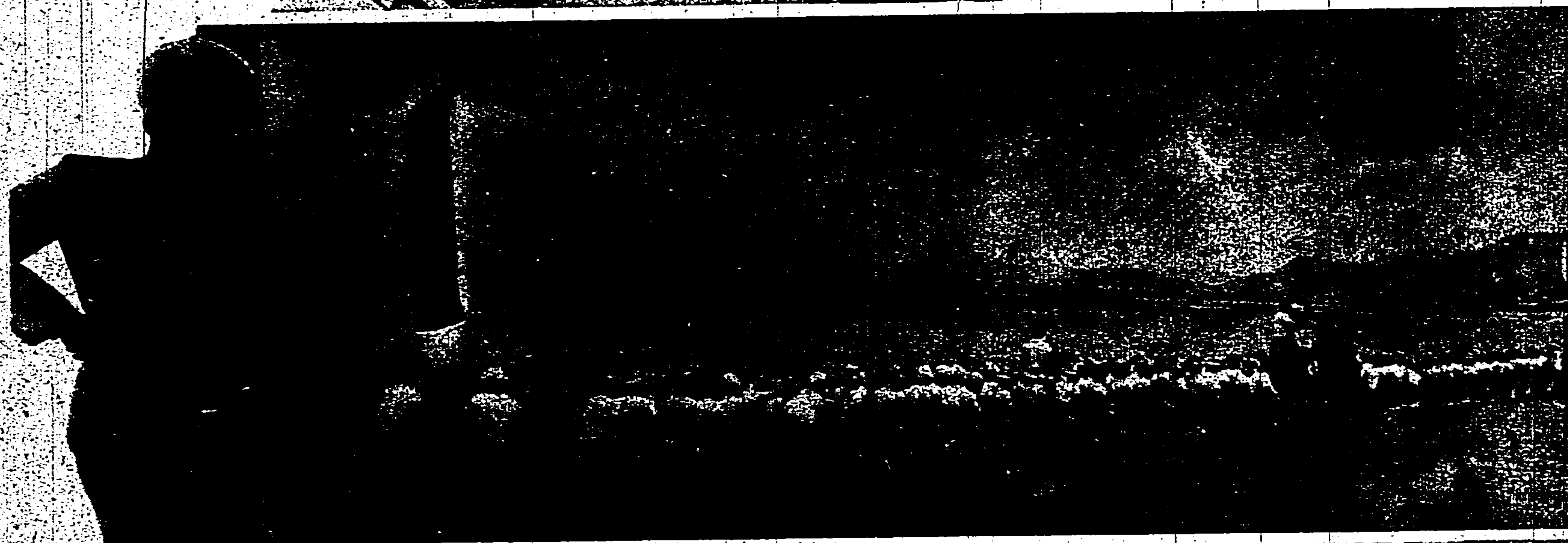
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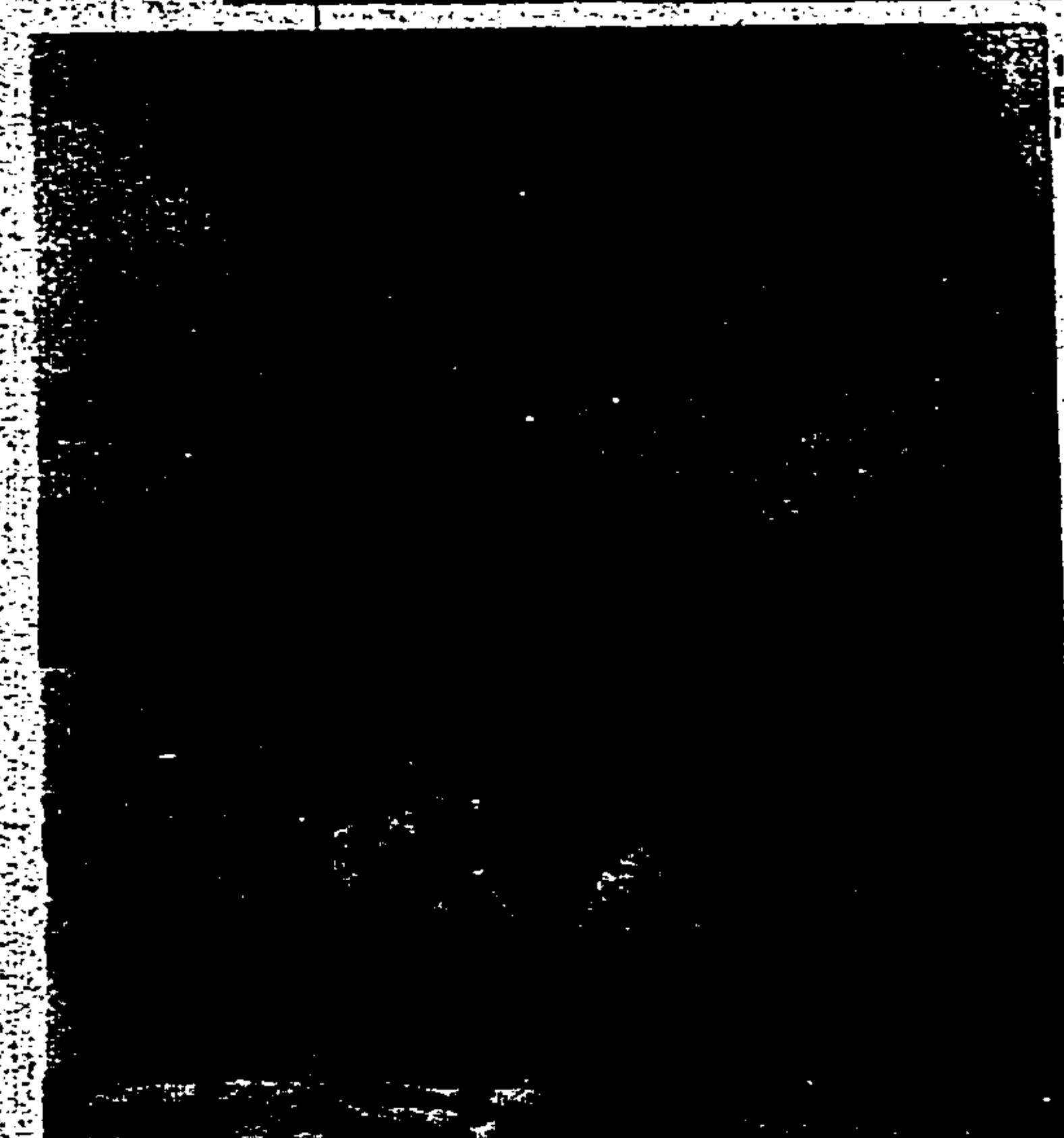
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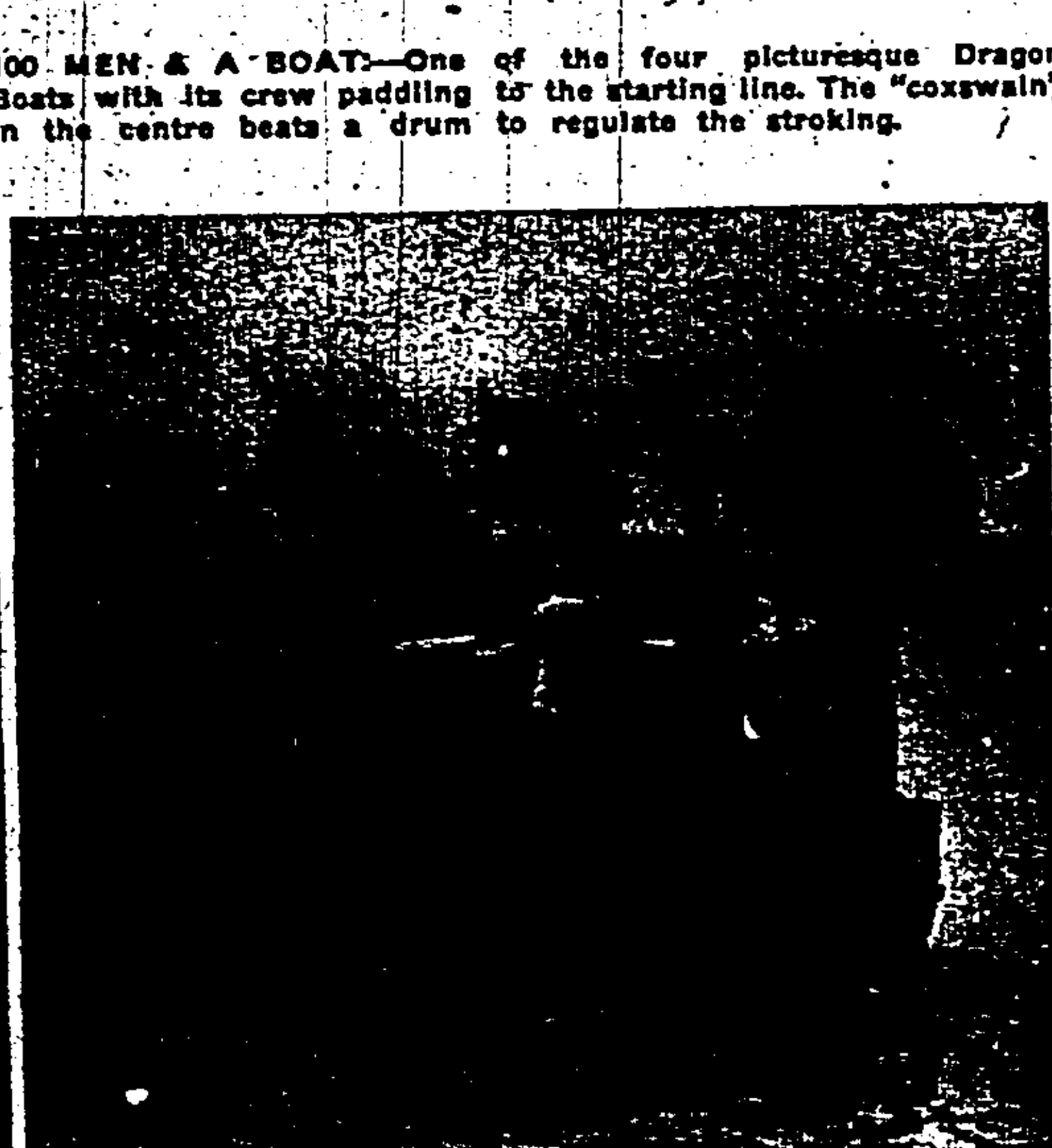
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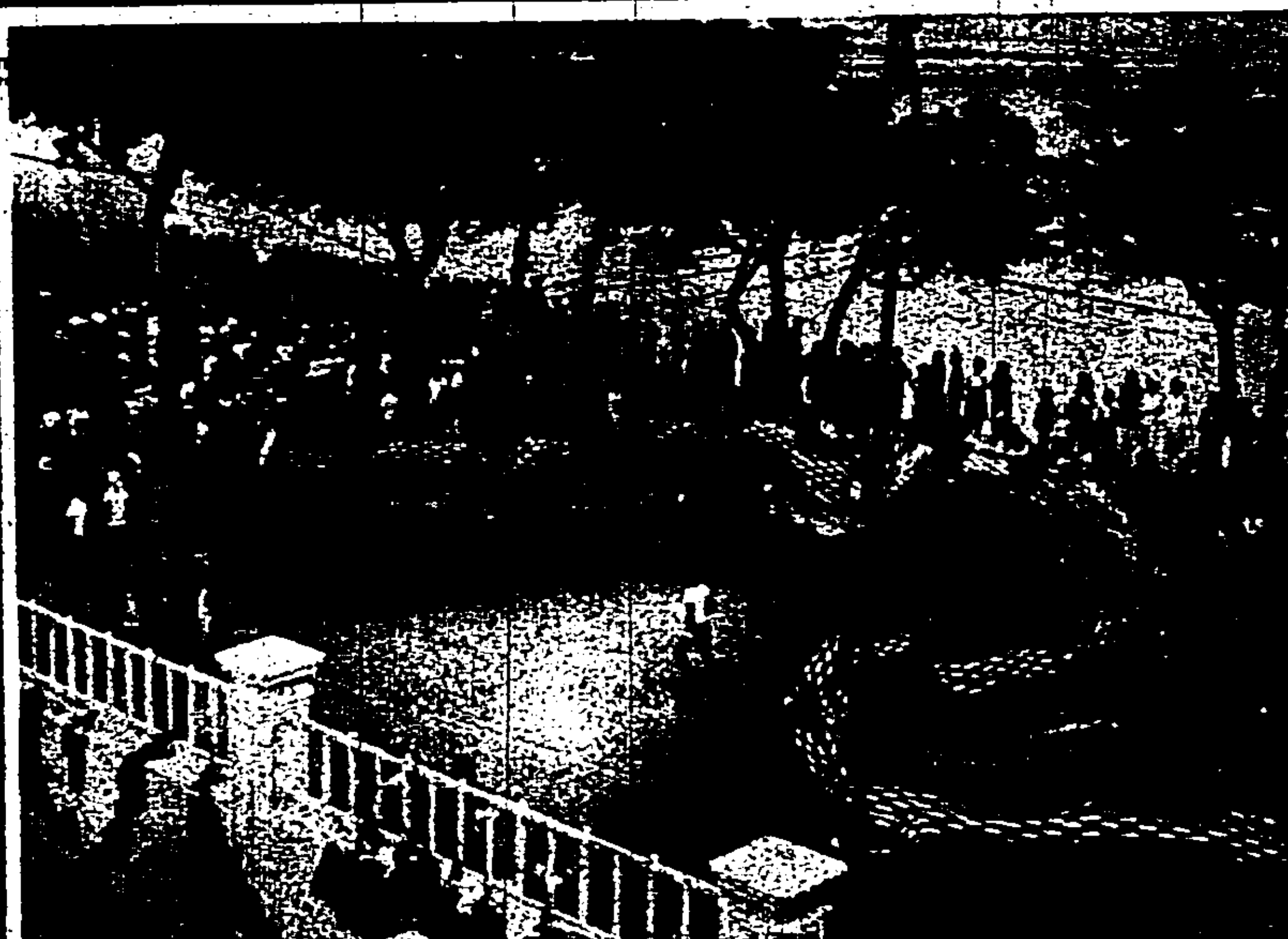
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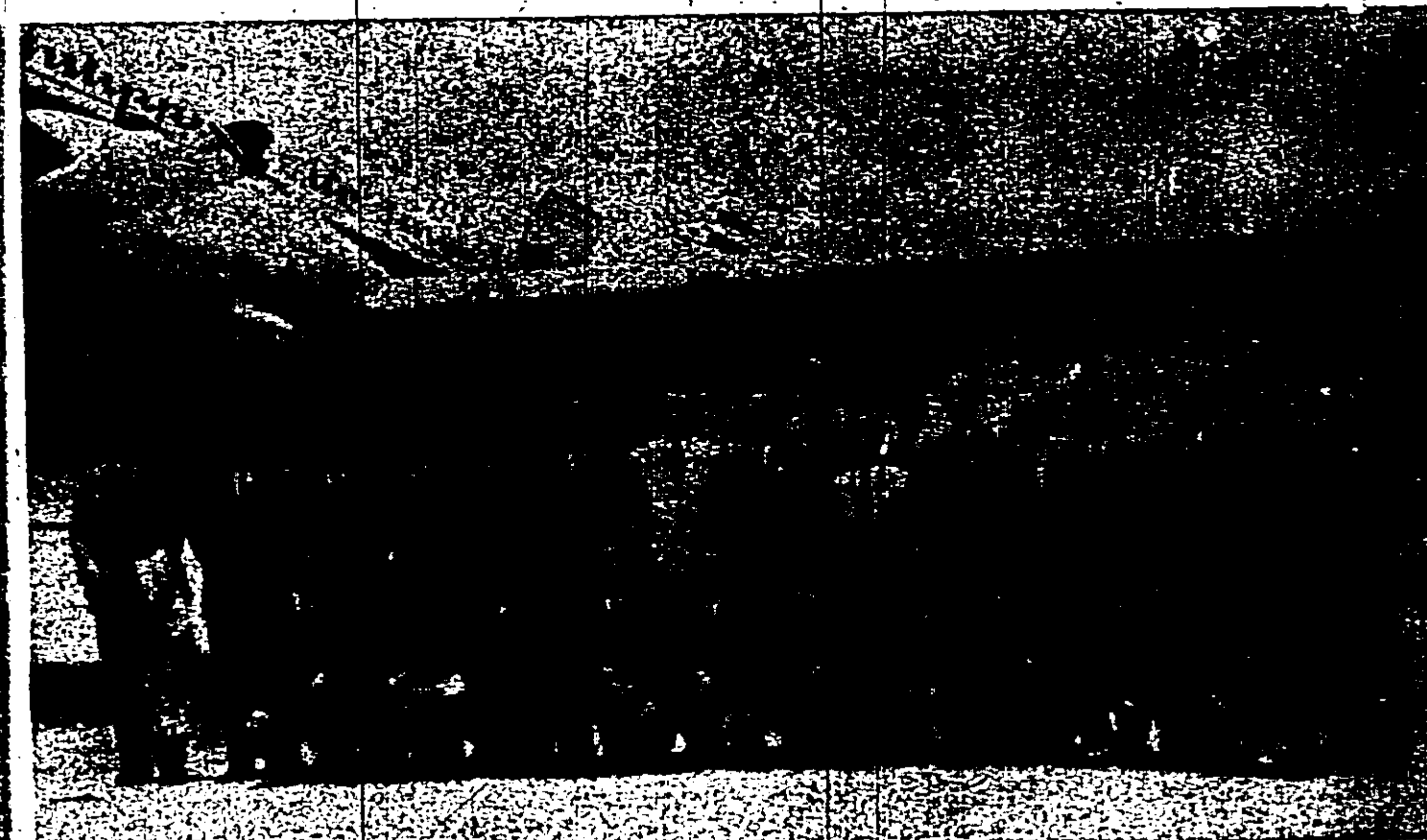
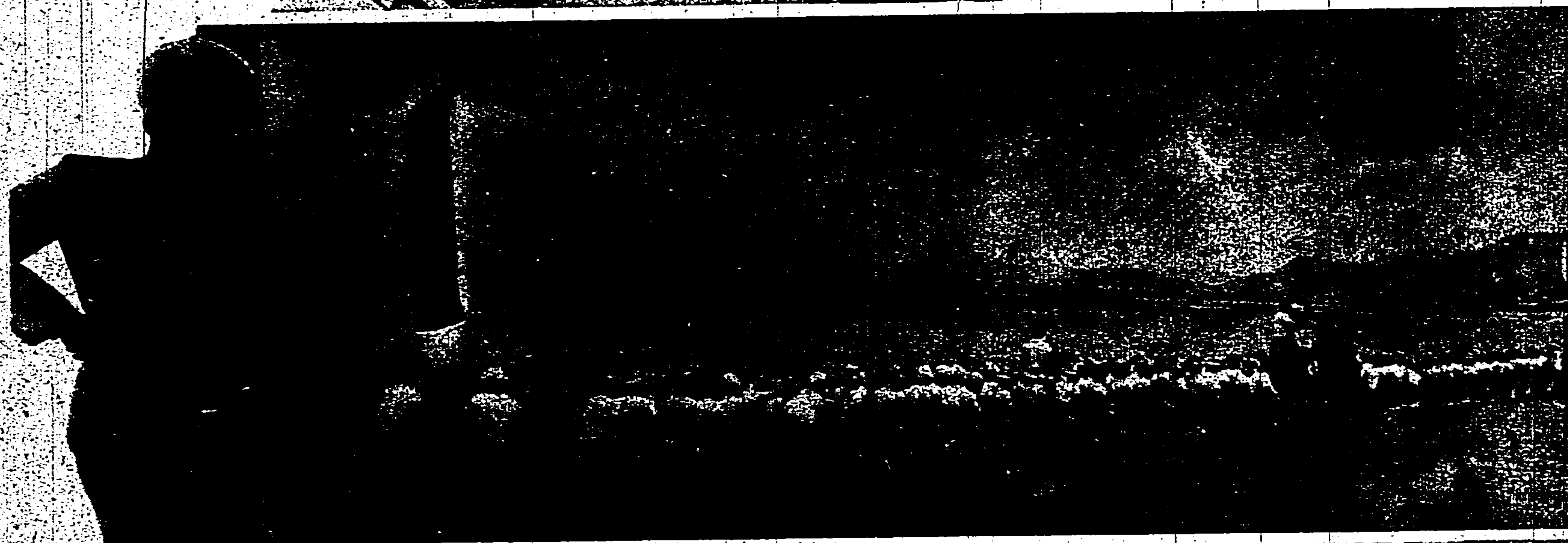
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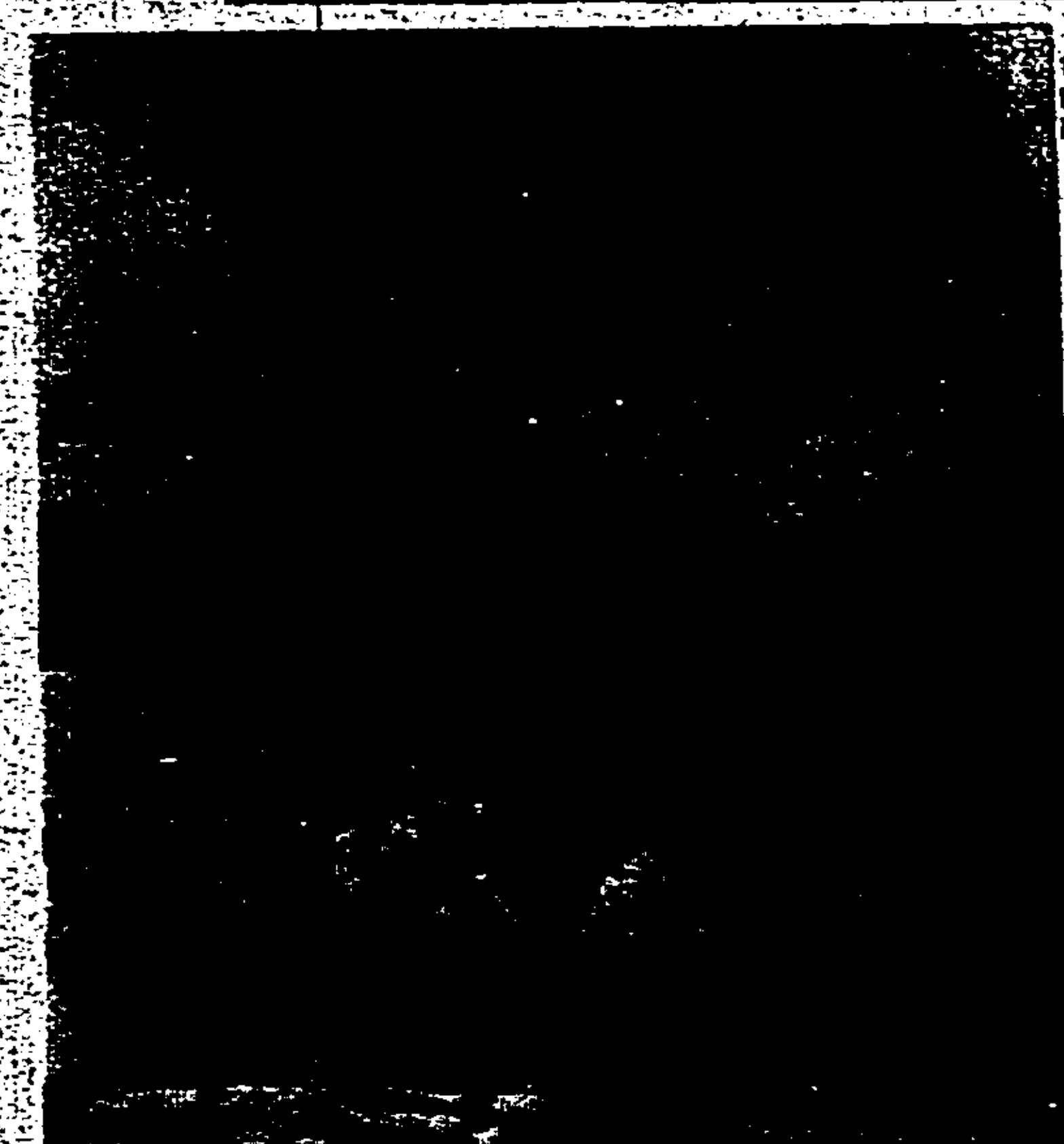
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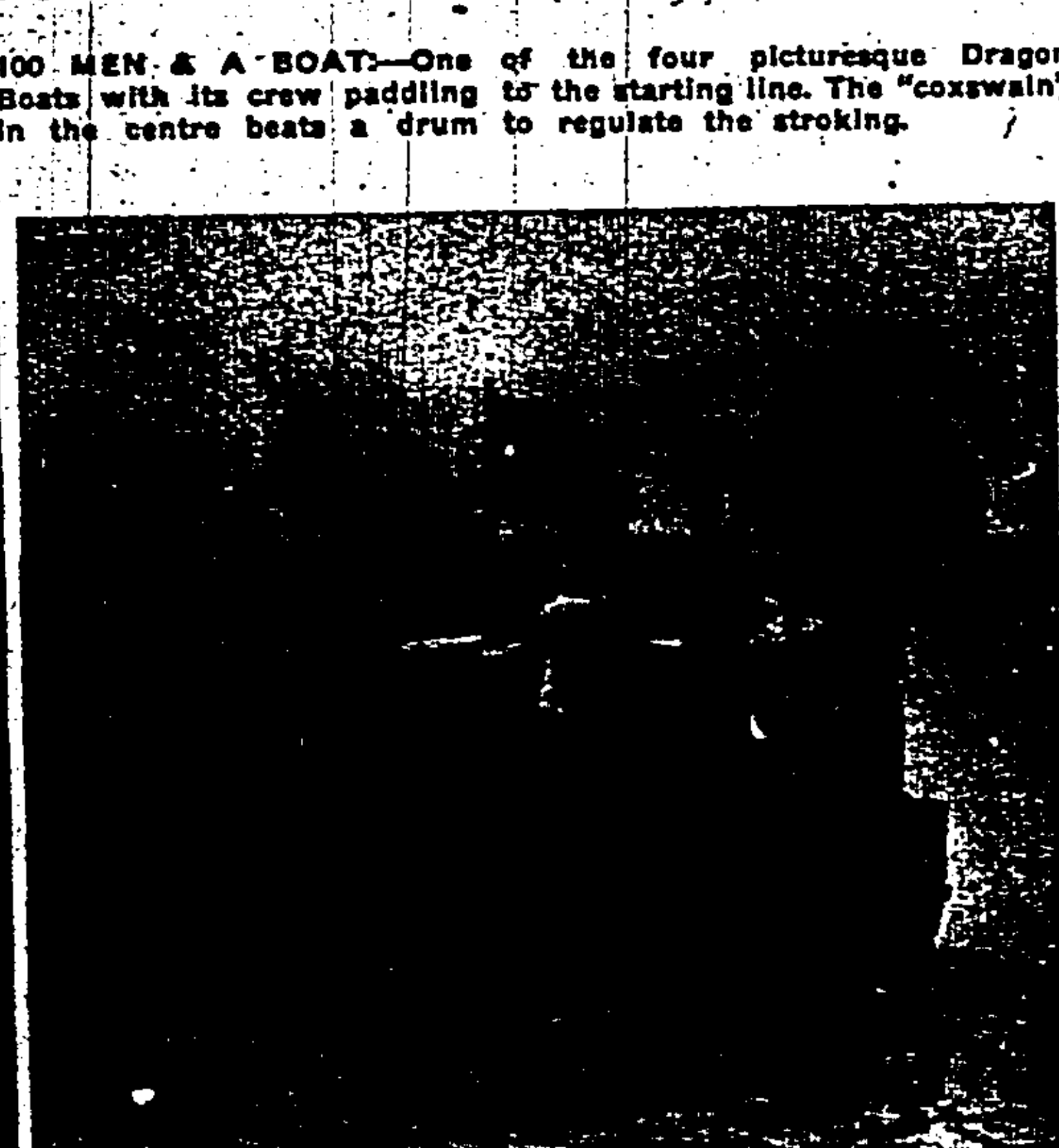
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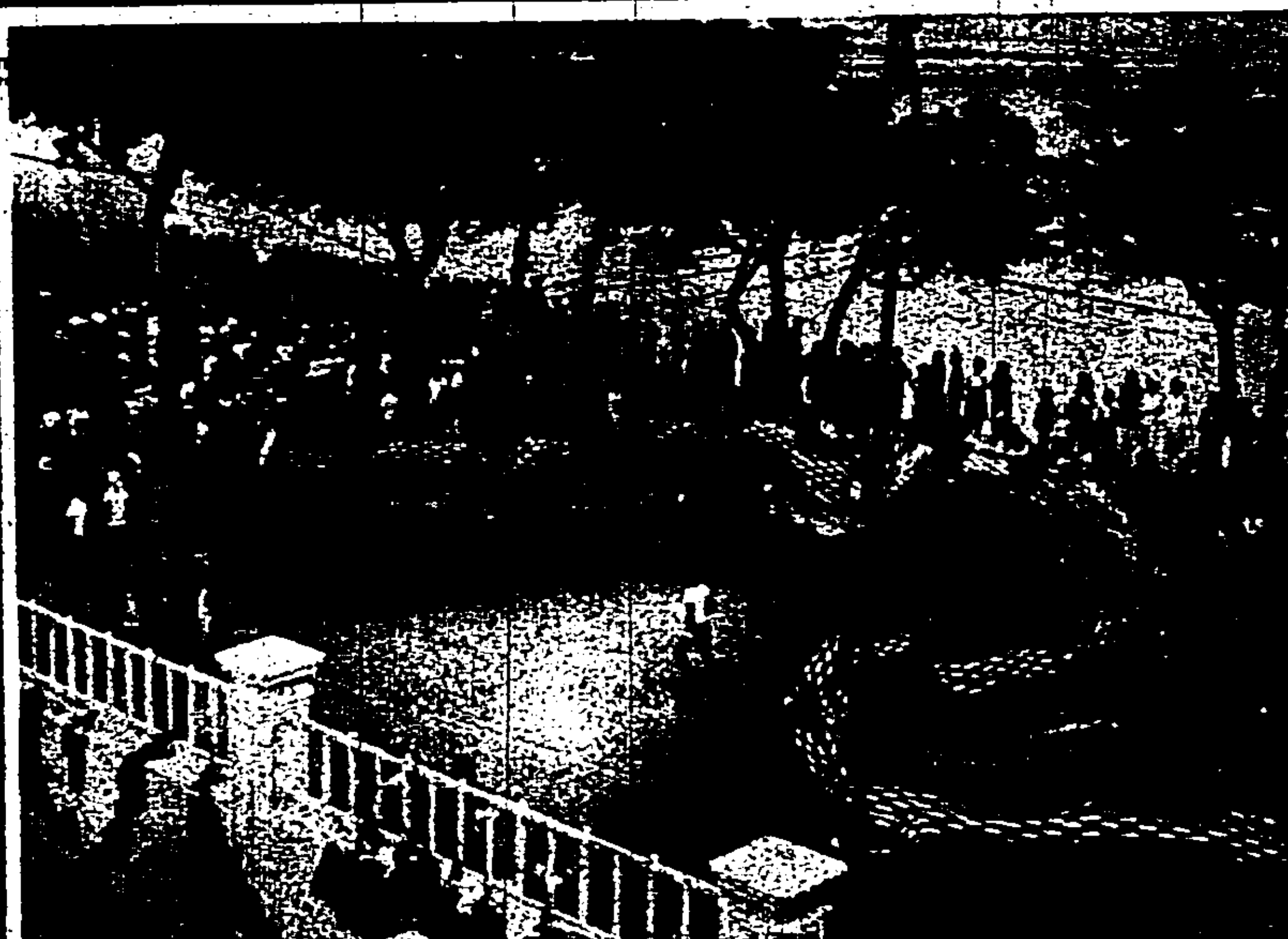
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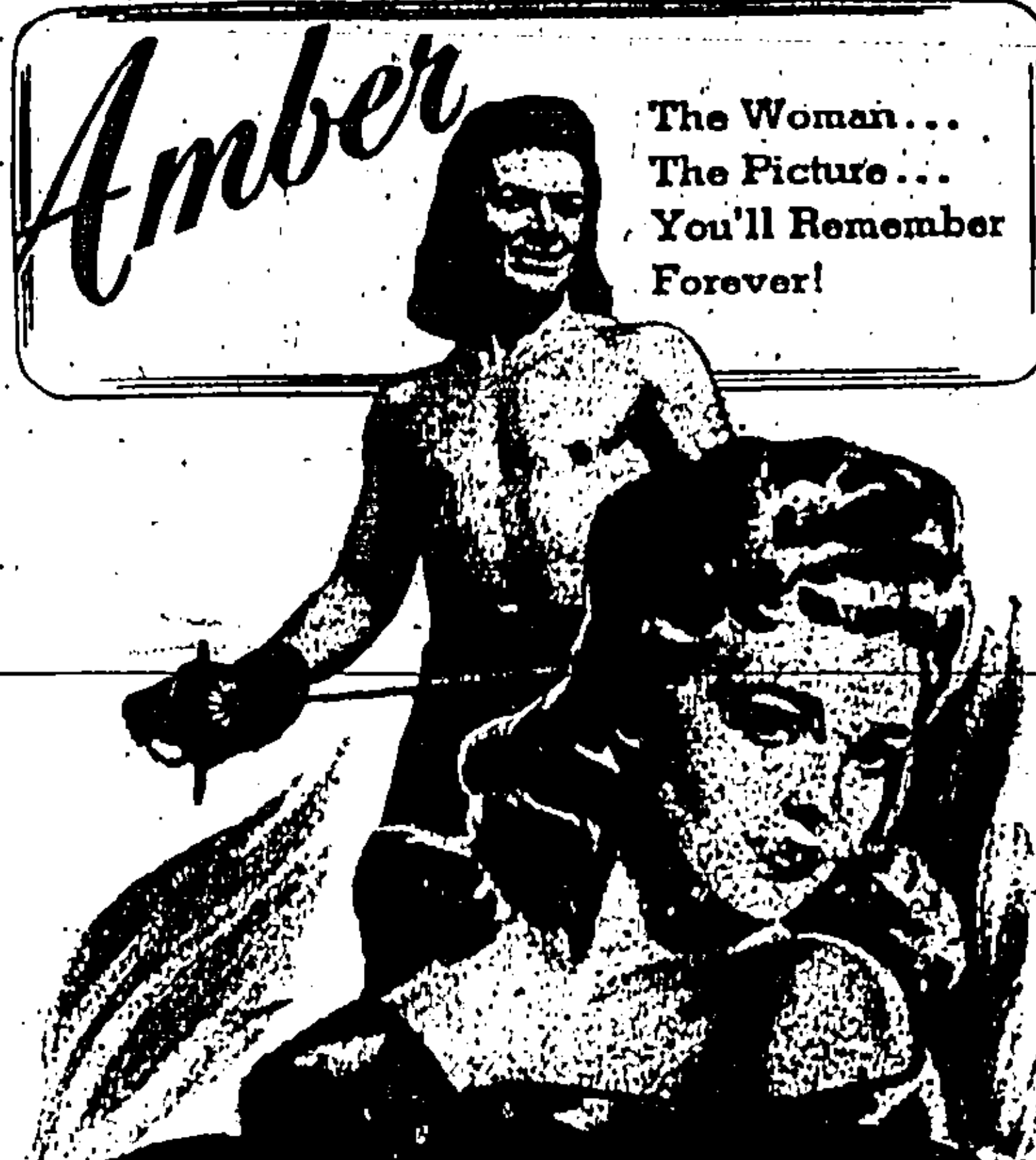
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BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR Exhibition In London And Birmingham Largest Diamond In The World

London, May 3.

Buyers from Scandinavia, Belgium and China were the first to arrive at the London section of the British Industries Fair, which opened in London and Birmingham today with its 3,400 exhibits. M. Frede Hansen, of Copenhagen, who was the first to put his name on the visitors' book last year, signed first again today.

In one part of the London exhibit alone, 500 buyers arrived in the first hour.

A display of diamonds and jewels worth millions of sterling was the outstanding attraction in London. It included the largest uncut diamond in the world—the 770 carat Weyla River diamond, found in Sierra Leone.

A gas turbine engine, designed for a motor car, was a surprise exhibit in Birmingham.

Stalls from Jamaica and Trinidad were packed with fresh and canned fruits.

Commonwealth

The exhibits are by no means all made in Britain. A huge Commonwealth section contains goods from almost every part of the Empire.

The Indian pavilion is a well-designed representation of all the Dominion's most important products—from Kashmir carpets and coconut fibre rugs from Travancore, to Damascene works in silver and gold and handbags

embroidered with silver thread. The distinctiveness of Indian craftsmanship has been well emphasised.

"The whole heart of India is put into this work," an Indian girl law student commented. Begum Rahimtoola, wife of the Pakistan High Commissioner, spent nine hours yesterday arranging some of the hand-worked textiles and Nilgiri work in silver which are among Pakistan's exhibits.

The Begum displayed some muslin worked with gold thread from Dacca, and said it was the finest in the world. A special display was given of sports goods from Sialkot—cricket bats, tennis racquets and other similar equipment. Plenty of orders are expected because of the very low prices. Even with a 100-per cent Government import tax on some of the things they would still be cheap in England.

Copper House

If a buyer is interested in the products of a particular Pakistan manufacturer, arrangements are being made for him to see a complete range at the High Commissioner's Office.

The odour of sandalwood oil, the basis of many perfumes, hangs over the stand of Mysore, which has almost a monopoly of this product.

Malaya's stand is pervaded by a smell of rubber tyres, Ceylon features tea, spices and other products.

From Northern Rhodesia has come a model house in which all modern conveniences are packed beside stocks of tobacco and a display of native work.

A special "diamond guard" of armed detectives early today began their vigil at the display of a collection of diamonds and jewels which is worth millions of pounds—and the biggest concentration of gems in the country.

The largest uncut diamond in the world—the 770 carat Weyla River diamond, found in Sierra Leone—lies behind a bullet-proof glass set in the heart of an imitation ally.

Each night, the jewels are carefully removed from their showcases and placed in two five-ton safes, with eight-inch steel doors, which are concealed in the centre of the diamond stand.—Reuter.

Allegations Against Dutch

Singapore, May 3.

The Singapore Motor Vessel Owners Union alleged in a written statement to the Colonial Secretary today that a Dutch naval patrol machine-gunned two of its vessels on March 24. The statement said the vessels were fishing 60 miles off Billiton Island, when the patrol arrested the crews and took the vessels to Tanjung Padang.

The Dutch were said to have fined the crews for fishing without a Dutch permit and to have confiscated the vessels and catches.—Reuter.

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U.S. Break With WFTU?

Paris, May 3.

American labour wants to break with the World Federation of Trade Unions, now holding its Executive Committee in Rome. Mr. Irving Brown, the European representative of the American Federation of Labour, said here tonight.

"Even those who originally supported the WFTU now see the futility of working together in an international organisation where there are State-controlled bodies like the Soviet trade unions," Reuter.

Secret Radio Station In Melbourne

Sydney, May 3.

Authorities in Melbourne today began a hunt for a secret radio station spending anti-Communist propaganda.

The sender jammed a major Melbourne commercial station last night. Then an anonymous telephone caller told Melbourne newspapers that about 50 young men, most war veterans, were backing the "underground radio."

He said they wished to awaken labour union members to their duty to attend union meetings.

The illicit broadcast was the high spot of Melbourne's May Day week-end celebration. Official labour boycotted the Sunday May Day parade. Four thousand workers marched behind two red flags bearing the hammer and sickle.

A red flag which labour groups intended to carry in a parade at Newcastle, a steel centre, was stolen from Trades Hall shortly before the event. A new flag was manufactured in time for the parade. Sydney's parade was washed out by heavy rains.—Associated Press.

RELICS OF THE SLAVE TRADE

Kinshasa, Ashanti, May 3.

Cases "which would arouse the indignation of any decent man" and were "a relic of the slave trade" were cited by Colonel Cawston to the Watson Commission of Enquiry into the Gold Coast riots in which 21 people were killed last February.

Representing the Ashanti farmers union, timber producers and African transport operators, Colonel Cawston said in evidence that, because of the delays, adjournments and changing of the charges, people were left in prison with very little opportunity of legal advice.

Bail was often opposed on grounds "that experience proved to be ill-timed" and many victims pleaded guilty for this reason.

Colonel Cawston also said that the class of European new coming to the colony was of low character and that a better selection was essential. It should bear in mind not only technical qualifications but ability to get on with the African.

Earlier, it had been said by the Chairman of the Enquiry Commission that it might be necessary to have a further enquiry into the conduct of the police and military during the riots which were described as demonstrations against the cost of living.—Reuter.

COSTA RICA AGREEMENT

San Jose, Costa

Rica, May 3.

Otilio Ulate, Costa Rica's rejected President-elect, announced today that he had reached "complete agreement" with Jose Figueres, the future Government of the country. Details of the settlement were not immediately announced.—United Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE By Shepard Barclay

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THREE TIMES AS GOOD

Countless players, slavishly following acquired habits of thought—or lack of thought—try an aces almost every time they have an ace-queen combination in their own declarer hand or dummy. They almost never think of the greater trick-building value of leading twice toward an ace-jack-ten combination which is overwhelmingly better. Whereas finessing with an ace-queen is approximately an even-money proposition, the other is approximately a 3 to 1 chance to win.

S. A. K. 6 4
H. 8 4 3
D. 7 3 2
C. 8 7 3

S. Q. J 10
H. K. J 7 2
D. Q. 9 6 5
C. 8 5 4

S. 7 6
H. A. Q. 6 5
D. A. J 10
C. A. K. Q. J

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)

South West North East
1 NT Pass 1 S Pass

West easily read his partner as being fairly well loaded in spades, so led the 9 of that suit to avoid leading into South's tenaces in hearts and the minors.

It was easy for South also to do some card-reading on his own assets, counting up eight positive tricks with two in spades, four in clubs and one each in the red suits. Looking for the spot to develop the requisite ninth trick, he saw the chance for a heart finesse and didn't even pay any attention to the "low honours" below the diamond A.

Feeling that his contract depended on the heart finesse, he won the opening lead in the dummy with the spade A and then finessed the heart Q, which lost to the K. West repeated spades with his 3, the K winning. Hoping now for a 3-3 division of the missing six hearts, South led to the A and laid down the 6, which the J won. West also cashed the 7, then led his club 9 because he properly disliked pitching away from his diamond Q.

South got that trick, but had to lead diamonds from his own hand, so was set.

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THE VOLUNTEERS

There is talk—which could possibly be little more than small talk—of plans and programmes for the reorganisation of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, though outwardly there is little sign of serious activity directed towards such an end.

In fact, there seems scant prospect of the creation of a satisfactorily organised Corps in the predictable future, and not merely for the reason that the Government may be not quite prepared to launch upon a recruiting campaign. If the truth is recognised, relatively few of the old hands would be prepared to renew their allegiance on the old terms and conditions, despite the creation during December 1941 of a comradeship and a tradition which it could hardly be said existed before.

On the other hand, there remains a highly loyal nucleus ready to devote their time and energies to building up a Corps in which the Colony could feel pride. In our opinion, however, a new incentive to those outside these particular ranks may be required to produce the right type of recruit in the needed quantity, and we can imagine nothing more likely to achieve this end than a very simple thing, the privilege of prefixing the title of the Corps with "Royal."

The dignity of "Royal" has recently been conferred upon that splendid organisation, the A.T.S., and the grant of such an honour to the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, which gave of its best in more senses than one, in the defence of Hong Kong in 1941—no unit coming through that test of grit and steadiness with greater honour and respect—would be a fitting reward, and provide a splendid starting-off point for the Corps in its next incarnation. We have a King George V School. The prospect of a Royal Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps is worth looking into.

Street Washing

This much can be said: Government's formal reply to the protest against the use of mains water for street washing carries more weight than the comments of the spokesman for the Water Authority. The Government at least admits a fault. Instructions had been given strictly enforcing economy in the use of mains water, and requiring that street washings be restricted to the gutters. Where instances occurred of more general operations with large quantities of water being used, the Urban Council coolies had either misunderstood or gone beyond their instructions. As this has been rather frequent practice, the attention called to it should produce the remedy.

The Water Authority is on less comfortable ground. When we urged the use of salt water for street washing, we were reasonably well acquainted with the stupidity of imagining that it would be wise, even were it possible, to push salt water through the fresh water mains; and also with the heavy cost of laying down special salt water mains. All we thought was that in a time of special emergency, special measures might be devised for coping with it: as for instance, the use of an odd fire engine in the early hours of the morning to pump sea-water to streets and side-



The Seventeenth Instalment

Churchill's Memoirs The Effect Of The Munich Pact

Nevertheless the winter months were anxious and depressing to those Conservatives who had criticised and refused to vote for the Munich settlement. Each of us was attacked in his constituency by the Conservative party machine, and many there were, who a year later were our ardent supporters, who agitated against us.

In my own constituency, the Epping Division, matters came to such a pass that I had to make it clear that, if a resolution of censure were carried against me in my local Association, I should immediately resign my seat and fight a by-election.

Many persons in Britain who the question has been debated whether Hitler or the Allies gained the more in strength in the year that followed Munich.

In this instalment Mr. Churchill surveys the results of the Munich agreement on the internal political situation of this country and on the broader international plane.

Our nakedness felt a sense of relief as each month our Air Force developed and the Hurricane and Spitfire types approached issue. The number of formed squadrons grew and the ack-ack guns multiplied. Also the general pressure of industrial preparation for war continued to quicken.

But these improvements, invaluable though they seemed, were petty compared with the mighty advance in German armaments. As has been explained, munition production on a national scale is a four years' task. The first year yields nothing; the second very little; the third a lot, and the fourth a flood.

Hitler's Germany in this period was already in the third or fourth year of intense preparation under conditions of grip and drive which were almost the same of those of war. Britain, on the other hand, had only been moving on a non-emergency basis, with a weaker impulse and on a far smaller scale. In 1938-9 British military expenditure of all kinds reached £304 millions, and Germany was at least £1,500 millions.

It is probable that in this last year before the outbreak, Germany manufactured at least double and possibly treble the munitions of Britain and France put together, and also that her great plants for tank production reached full capacity. They were therefore getting weapons at a far higher rate than we.

The subjugation of Czechoslovakia robbed the Allies of the Czech Army of 21 regular divisions, 15 or 16 second-line divisions already mobilised, and also their mountain fortress line which, in the days of Munich, required the deployment of 30 German divisions, or the main strength of the mobile and fully trained German Army.

According to Gen. Halder and Jodl there were but 13 German divisions of which only five were composed of first-line troops, left in the West at the time of the Munich arrangement. We certainly suffered a loss through the fall of Czechoslovakia equivalent to some 35 divisions.

Besides this, the Skoda works, the second most important arsenal in Central Europe, the production of which between August, 1938, and September, 1939, was in itself nearly equal to the actual output of British arms factories in that period, was made to change sides adversely. While all Germany was working under intense and almost war pressure, French La-

bour had achieved as early as 1939 the long-desired 40-hours week.

Even more disastrous was the alteration in the relative strength of the French and German Armies. With every month that passed from 1938 onwards the German Army not only increased in numbers and formations, and in the accumulation of regularity, but in quality and maturity.

The advance in training and general proficiency, kept pace with the ever-augmenting equipment. No similar improvement or expansion was open to the French Army. It was being overtaken along every path.

In morale also the Germans had the advantage. The desertion of an Ally, especially from fear of war, saps the spirit of any army. The sense of being forced to yield depresses both officers and men. While on the German side confidence, success and the sense of growing power inflamed the martial instincts of the race, the admission of weakness discouraged the French soldiers of every rank.

There is, however, one vital sphere in which we began to overtake Germany and improve our own position. In 1938 the

process of replacing British biplane fighters, like the Gladiators, by modern types of Hurricanes and later Spitfires had only just begun.

In September of 1938 we had but two squadrons remounted on Hurricanes. Moreover reserves and spares for the older aircraft had been allowed to drop, since they were going out of use. The Germans were well ahead of us, in remounting with modern fighter types. They already had good numbers of the M.E. 109 against which our old aircraft would have fared very ill.

Throughout 1939 our position improved as more squadrons were remounted. In July of that year we had 26 squadrons of modern eight-gun fighters, though there had been little time to build up a full-scale of reserves and spares. By July, 1940, at the time of the Battle of Britain, we had on the average 47 squadrons of modern fighters available.

The Germans had done most of their air expansion both in quantity and quality before the war began. Our effort was, in fact, theirs by nearly two years.

Between 1939 and 1940 they made a 20 per cent. increase only, whereas our increase in modern fighter aircraft was 80 per cent. We might in 1938 have had air raids on London, for which we were lamentably unprepared. There was however no possibility of a decisive Air Battle of Britain until the Germans had occupied France and the Low Countries, and thus obtained the necessary bases in close striking distance of our shores. Without these bases they could not have

escorted their bombers with the fighter aircraft of those days.

The German armies were not capable of defeating the French in 1938 or 1939. The vast tank production with which they broke the French Front did not come into existence till 1940, in the face of the French superiority in the West and an unconquered Poland in the East, they could certainly not have concentrated the whole of their air power against England as they were able to do when France had been forced to surrender.

This takes no account either of the attitude of Russia or of whatever resistance Czechoslovakia might have made. I have thought it right to set out the figures of relative air power in the period concerned, but they do not in any way alter the conclusions which I have recorded.

For all the above reasons, the year's breathing-space said to be "gained" by Munich left Britain and France in a much worse position compared with Hitler's Germany than they had been at the Munich crisis.

Finally, there is this staggering fact: that in the single year 1938 Hitler had annexed to the Reich and brought under his absolute rule 6,750,000 Austrians and 3,500,000 Sudetens, a total of over 10 millions of subjects, toilers, and soldiers. Indeed the dread balance had turned in his favour.

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The Ku Klux Klan And What It Means

"If President Truman forces his vote-grabbing negro legislation through Congress, the streets of the South will flow with blood. Nigger blood!"

The man in which folded his arms with finality. That was the word of the Ku Klux Klan.

Their spokesman was Doctor Samuel Green, Exalted Grand Dragon of the dreaded night-riders in the southlands, who have been accused of terrorising, mutilating and lynching their coloured neighbours for the last 80 years.

His white smock was not topped by the buckram-stiffened peak hood with the eyeholes. It was a doctor's coat. When not landing the Klan in different parts of the Southern states, Doctor Green, obstetrician, delivers babies over a wide area around Atlanta, Georgia. Even coloured babies.

Coloured Vote

I talked with him for two hours in his consulting rooms at Peters Buildings, Atlanta, heard Klan secrets and future plans in the first interview ever granted by the Grand Dragon to a foreign correspondent.

Doctor Green is a short man in his mid fifties, with piercing eyes, iron-grey hair, and a Hitler-style moustache. He chain-smokes.

"I consented to see you," he said sternly, "because of the lying slanderous reports which are printed abroad about the

activities of our organisation." Britain cannot understand our position because Britain doesn't have our problem.

"President Truman has seen fit to decide that negroes can go to our schools, eat at our elbows, compete for our jobs. He thinks there should be no poll-tax, that anti-lynching laws should be introduced. We have abolished lynching without outside interference, but Truman is making a grandstand play for the coloured vote. It is the White House against white

By John Drummond

supremacy in the South. The outcome can only mean violence."

Doctor Green, in 25 years, has risen from the lowliest position of Klezter to lead the Klan. The Klan began, he says, in 1866 after the Civil War when many negroes, encouraged by Yankees from the North, rose to positions of responsibility in the devastated South.

"In those days a white woman was not safe on the streets of Alabama in broad daylight," claimed the leader.

Persons of Jewish and Roman Catholic faith were members of the original organisation, which was disbanded in the seventies. During World War I the Fiery Cross burned again on southern mountain sides. Colonel William Joseph Sims revived the movement. This time membership was limited to "native born, white, gentle Protestant Americans."

"Since then many groups and many individuals have tried to stamp out our movement, which, after all, is a fraternal, benevolent, protective Christian organisation," said Dr. Green. "He claimed that the late President Roosevelt told one meeting of his Braintrusts: 'The Klan must be stamped out.'"

"Within four hours we knew about it. There was a Klansman inside the White House."

In answer to a series of questions, the Exalted Grand Dragon explained that initiation dues to the Klan were 50 shillings. Annual subscriptions varied according to the district but the average was 30 shillings. Some of the ranks were: Giant, Terror, Exalted Cyclops, and Special Terror. All uniforms were alike. In two-piece designs—peaked hood and robe with shoulder cape and waist sash—but different colouring and quality of the materials indicated rank.

Doctor Green wields supreme power over the Klan. No branch, he says, is allowed to wear robes in a public street without his permission, under fear of banishment from the movement. His parting words again predicted wholesale violence in the South if President Truman per-

suares Congress to grant the coloured citizens of the United States something nearer equality with their white neighbours.

Query - And Answer

"How many active members do you have, doctor?" "That I alone know. There are Klansmen everywhere—known to each other—but I alone know the total strength."

Which was a challenge! In the states of Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi there has been no Klan activity for the past 12 months.

In Tennessee there are only three Klaverns—one in Knoxville, one some 15 miles away in the small community of Maryville, the third in Rossville, a suburb of Chattanooga. "Only in Georgia, where there is more leadership, has the movement shown signs of growing. Even here activity has been limited to sticking threatening placards on shop windows, car windshields and walls."

The total active strength for the whole of the South is under 5,000 men.

Where did I get this information? That, Doctor Green, is my secret!

Cardinals Invited To Rome

Vatican City, May 3. The Pope has invited all the world's Cardinals to attend a Consistory Supreme Council of the Catholic Church at the end of May or early in June, according to reliable Vatican circles today.

The Consistory will formally nominate all those bishops who have been appointed since the last Consistory of February, 1948. It will also study the plea by Consistorial advocates for the canonisation of the Blessed Jeanne de Lestonnac, a French woman, and the Pope will bestow palliums on the Patriarchs of the Eastern Church.

Reliable Vatican circles believe the Pope will take the opportunity to nominate new Cardinals to bring the Sacred College up to full strength. The College has 19 vacancies at present.—Reuter.

REDS RELEASE AMERICANS

Berlin, May 2. The three American soldiers who were arrested on Saturday night by the Russians in the Soviet sector of the city were released last night to U. S. authorities.

American military police planned a closed interrogation of the three before permitting them to relate their experience to the press.—Associated Press.

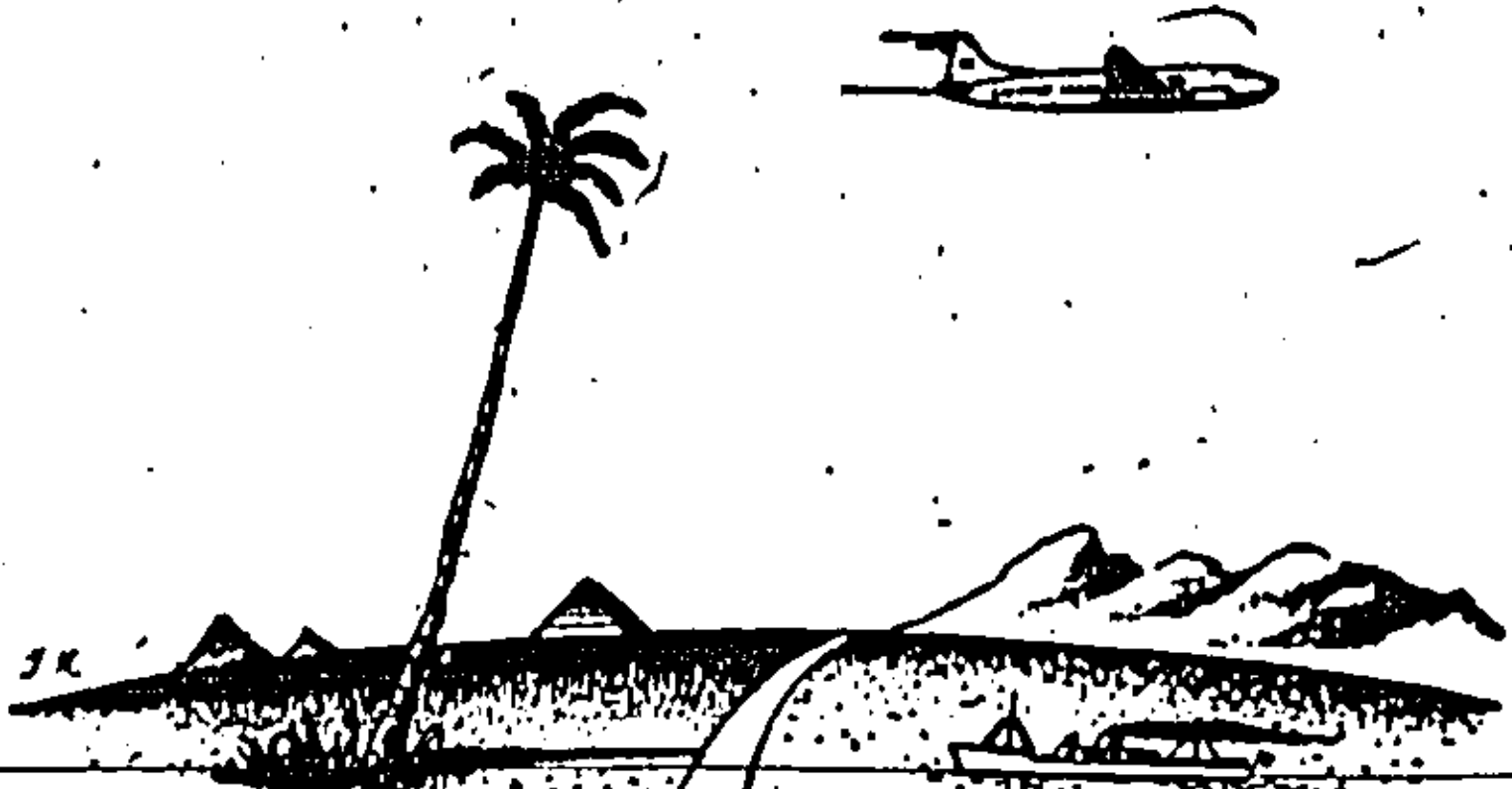
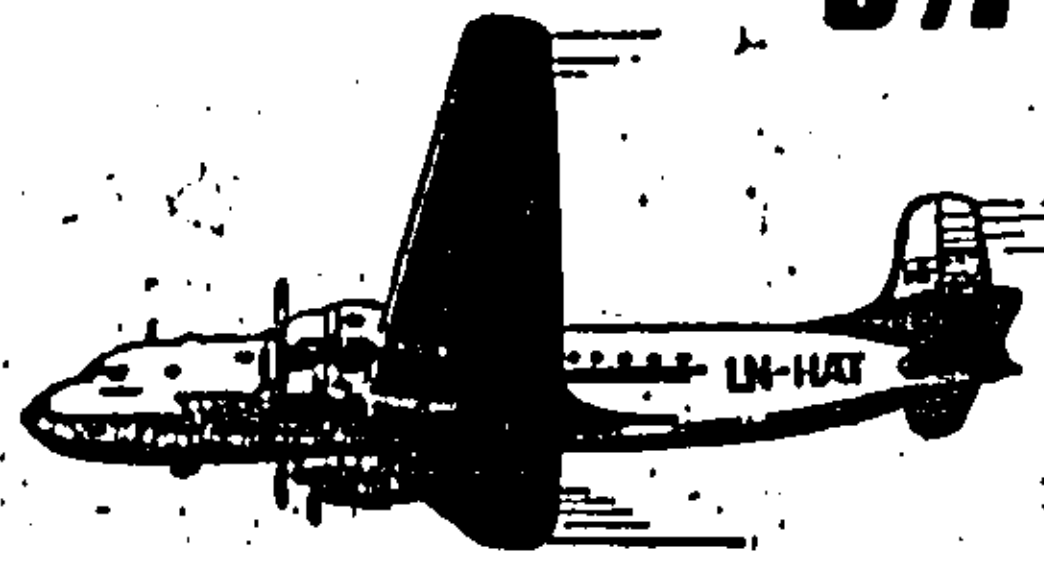
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SUGGESTION FOR PALESTINE

Britain Proposes A Neutral Authority

British Policy Unchanged

Lake Success, May 3.

The arrival of fresh troops in Palestine did not imply any change of policy by Britain, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, the Colonial Secretary, told the Political Committee of the United Nations today.

Mr. Creech Jones said it was essential to create some form of United Nations authority before May 15 to follow as the mandatory power lays down its duties.

This authority might take the form of some neutral authority acting for the United Nations as a unifying authority until the communities could resolve their conflict and decide the future.

The British Government wholeheartedly supported the efforts to obtain a truce, but there were no signs at present that either party in Palestine was prepared to relent in the conflict, he said. The United Nations authority which took over might be a commission though one of its main difficulties would be to achieve the recognition of its authority in Palestine.

Useful Debate

Mr. Creech Jones said: "We have, for the past two weeks, been seeking a way through the problem presented to us at this special Assembly and so far have registered no collective view on the immediate issues in Palestine or the future form of its Government."

The partition plan with economic union had been challenged as the final settlement in this problem. Referring to the interim arrangement proposed by the United States, Mr. Creech Jones said he thought the debate on trusteeship had served "a most useful purpose" and directed the Committee's thoughts to the urgent requirements of the situation.

"There is now no time to lose in carrying into effect plans which may be decided upon for dealing with the situation when the British Government ceases to be the mandatory power," he said.

Desperate

"The situation is desperately serious," he warned. "Our discussion has made clear the intractable nature of the problem. There has been a sharp conflict of interests between the parties in Palestine and a steady approach to chaos and war. 'Is the United Nations unable to stay this disaster—this headlong clash?'"

"Has it that answer to the problem which will prevent violence, meet the immediate needs of the situation, reduce danger, recognise the conflict and induce cooperation between the parties? 'The discussions on trusteeship will have to be brought face to face with the almost insurmountable problems of immigration, land, transport and responsible Government."

"We have seen how these problems, which Britain failed to solve, still block the way to any settlement."

May 15

Mr. Creech Jones added: "On May 15 the mandate will end and there will be no central organ of continuing Government in Palestine. A fierce conflict will devour the whole country. The partition plan will not be implemented in accordance with the recommendation of the November resolution. If it will not have proved possible to follow the procedure laid down in that resolution or to preserve its time-table."

Dr. Philip Jessup, the United States delegate, suggested that all the special General Assembly could do before the end of the mandate was to make some provisional arrangement for the country.

There was a definite trend, he said, towards the conclusion that they must seek, "not the final solution before May 15, of the whole Palestine problem, but some kind of provisional arrangement."

Sir Zafrullah Khan, the Pakistan delegate, compared the partition of Palestine to the partition of India and asserted that the problems, "from a purely physical point of view," were very different. He added: "It is, however, a simple problem if you look at it in some of its aspects." Any solution of the Palestine problem, based on consent and agreement between the Arabs and the Jews, must be satisfactory to him.

Sir Zafrullah emphasised, however, that the proposed partition plan of Palestine as it was endorsed by the General Assembly last year was "most unfair and most unjustifiable."—Reuter.

Invasion Attempt

Warning By G.O.C.

Jerusalem, May 3.

The British Army and Air Force will resist "with full force" any attempt by any Arab state to invade Palestine while the British mandate is in effect, Lt.-Gen. Gordon MacMillan said today in an interview with the New York Post's military analyst, Major George Fielding Eliot.

MacMillan authorised Eliot to say that if the forces of any Arab state invade Palestine

Britain's Purge Marking Time

London, May 3.

The British Government has suspended temporarily its purge of Communists from security posts in the Civil Service, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, announced.

He said that the programme would be delayed for "a short period" while Government officials discussed the procedure with the National Whitley Council, the body which negotiates and arbitrates on Civil Service pay and conditions. The Government and Unions are represented on it. A Treasury spokesman estimated that from six to a dozen Civil Servants had been given leave while the problem is discussed.—Associated Press.

Soviet Announces Huge New "Lottery Loan"

Moscow, May 3.

The Soviet Government today announced the issue of a new "rehabilitation" lottery loan of 20,000 million roubles—£900 million—"to strengthen still further the military and economic might of the Soviet State."

M. Alexey Kosgin, the Finance Minister, in a broadcast appeal to the nation to support this loan, announced that the entire income based on an average of four per cent would be paid out in lottery prizes ranging from 50,000 roubles down to 100 roubles. "The loan would be for a term of 20 years, during which every third bond would win a prize. At the end of the term, the remainder would be paid off at their value."

Recalling that two earlier post-war loans for similar amounts in 1946 and 1947 were over-sub-

Rumania On Red List?

Washington, May 3. Government officials said today they had heard rumours that Russia intends to annex Rumania this summer as a 17th Soviet Republic but knew nothing definite to support the reports.

The officials, who request anonymity, were commenting on a London Sunday Observer article, saying that Rumanian leaders had decided to prepare their country for this step.—Associated Press.

Soldiers Disappear

Berlin, May 3.

Three American soldiers were today reported "missing or AWOL" after disappearing in the Russian sector of Berlin.

According to a German girl the three enlisted men completed guard duty at Tempelhof air-drome shortly after midnight on Saturday and entered the Soviet sector to visit her.

The three men went to a cafe and some trouble started. Immediately, Russian police appeared "in a long black or dark blue" civilian automobile and took the soldiers into custody.

American Army authorities asked the Russians whether they were holding the men but as of this morning have received no reply.

The German girl said she "believed" one of the Americans was carrying a gun which is contrary to military regulations when off duty.—United Press.

Agreement On Aid To China

Washington, May 3.

A provisional agreement for extending the first aid to China under the Marshall Plan programme drawn up in an exchange of notes between Mr. George Marshall, Secretary of State, and the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, dated April 30, was released by the State Department today.

In the notes, China agreed to set up a local currency fund in Chinese dollars for use by the United States Government in administering the aid programme, to extend cooperation to an American aid mission in China, and to conclude a formal agreement governing the aid programme.

Adherence to these agreements was required by the Secretary of State in his note as a preliminary to extending the \$338 million included under the general and military aid section of the Marshall Plan law.

Mr. Marshall postponed the \$125 million reconstruction aid, saying "the terms of payment if any for reconstruction assistance will be reserved for later determination."—Reuter.

Unsuccessful Recruiting

Canton, May 3.

Conscriptions and recruiting in Hainan Island have not been successful, according to Li Lin-han, Provincial Assemblyman, a native of that island.

"The failure is due to the lack of able-bodied men in each village," Li said. "Some of them have joined the bandits; while others hide in the mountains to evade draft and recruiting officers and return home only at night. 'Cases of forced enlistment are reported. Some tried to escape to the Philippine Islands, but they were caught by the military and sent to the barracks for conscriptions.'"

These facts were placed on the record of the Provincial Assembly, Lieut-General Huang Chin-chiu, commander of the Kwangtung Provincial guards, said he had no information of such condition and promised to look into the matter. In his report to the Assembly, General Huang said there are still 28,900 bandits in Kwangtung, while during the past five months 6,187 were accounted for in casualties, surrender and escape.—Associated Press.

Assassin Confesses

Athens, May 3.

The assassin of the Greek Minister of Justice, Christos Ladis, has confessed that he acted on Communist Party orders, the authorities announced today.

The assassin, Eustrios Moutsoylanis, refused to reveal under questioning who helped him. Officials refused to comment but it is understood three alleged accomplices handed him the grenades on Friday night. The rebel radio described him as a hero.

With arrests still continuing a heavy police guard was turned out to protect the funeral for Ladis at Athens Cathedral. King Paul and members of the Cabinet attended.

Premier Sofoulis refused to comment on the replacement for Ladis. The newspaper Estia said Sophocles Venizelos (Lib.) has been mentioned.—United Press.

"FATEFUL YEAR" SAYS TRUMAN

Washington, May 3.

President Truman said today that this year "may well determine the world's future."

He made the statement in a letter to the opening of TWU fifth biennial convention of Upholders' International Union. Truman wrote: "You are meeting here in a year which may well determine the world's future and whether liberty-loving people everywhere are to remain secured in the freedoms they have gained through centuries. We in the United States are determined that their way of life and our way shall not perish from the earth."—United Press.

CHINESE NAVY IN ORDER

Shanghai, May 3.

The Chinese Navy has been ordered to detain any Japanese shipping vessels operating in China waters, Central News said. A Navy spokesman said Japanese vessels had been frequently found operating in Chinese waters. He said the Government protects the SCAP but received no definite reply.—Associated Press.

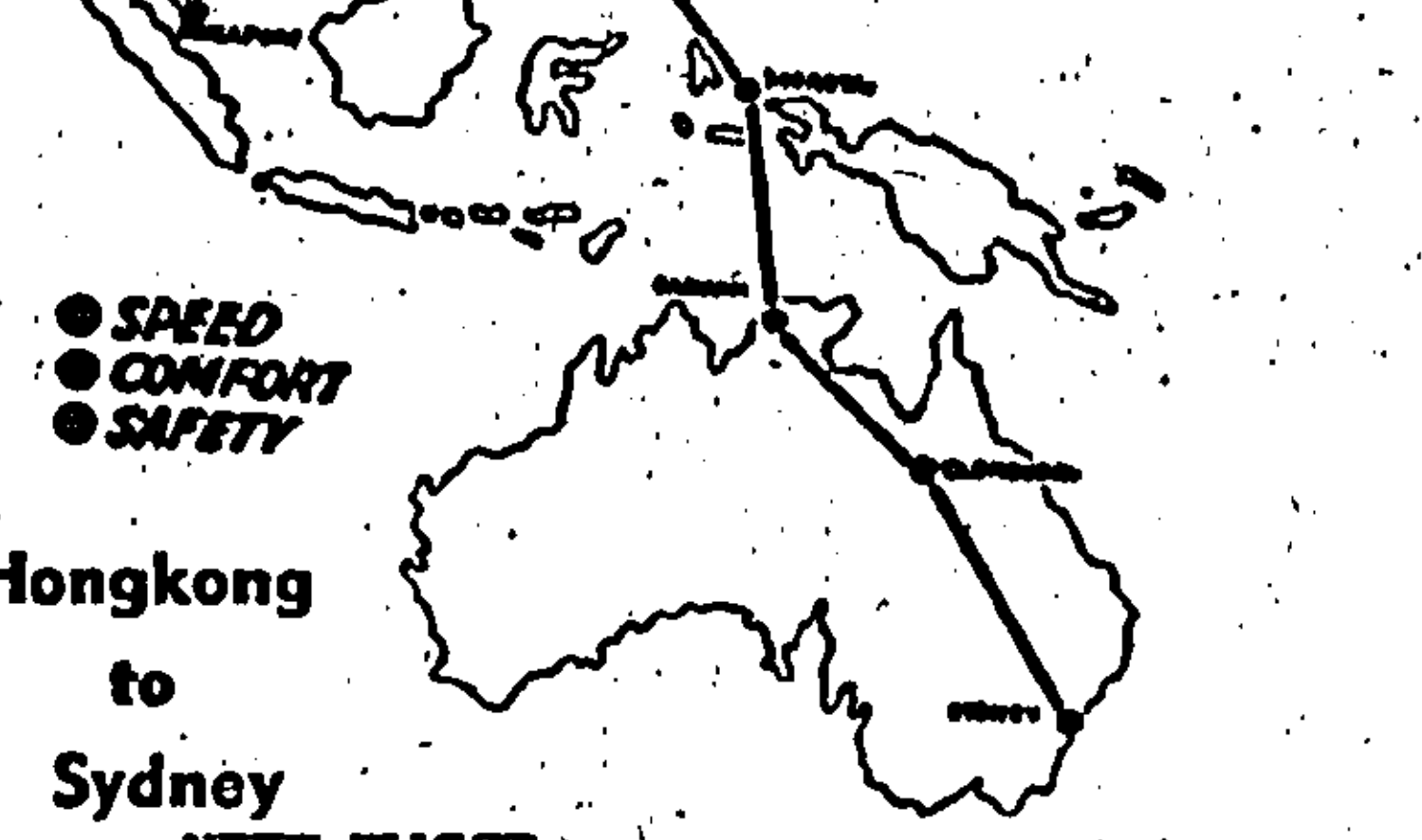
ROMAN CATHOLIC CENTENARY

Melbourne, May 3.

The Roman Catholic Church in Melbourne commenced its centenary celebrations today. During a Pontifical Mass in Melbourne's packed cathedral, a letter from Pope Pius was read. This congratulated Dr. Daniel Mannix, 84, on his 33 years of office as Archbishop of Melbourne.—Associated Press.

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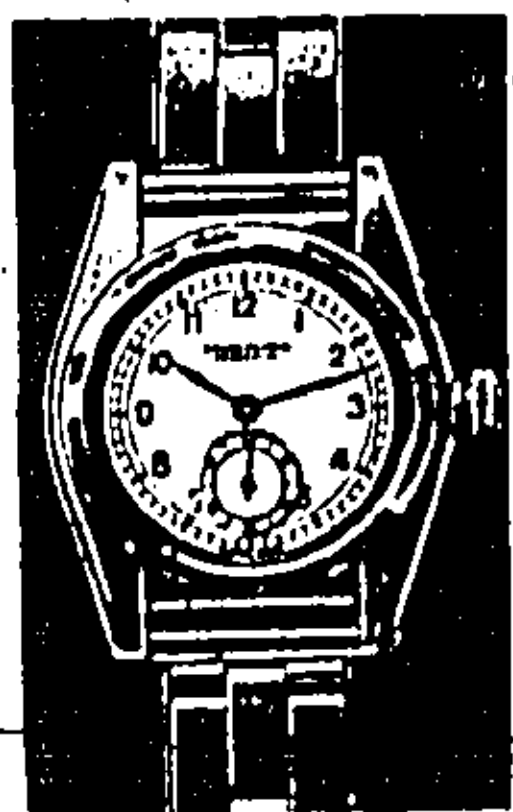
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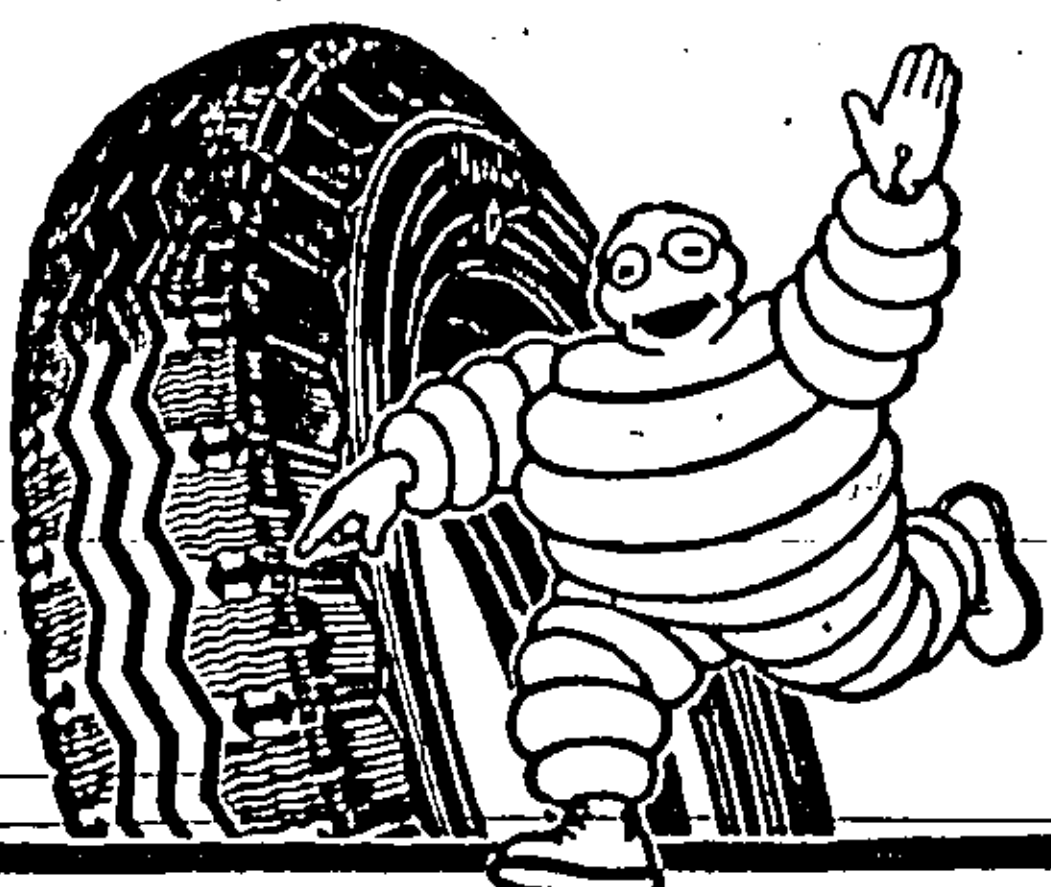


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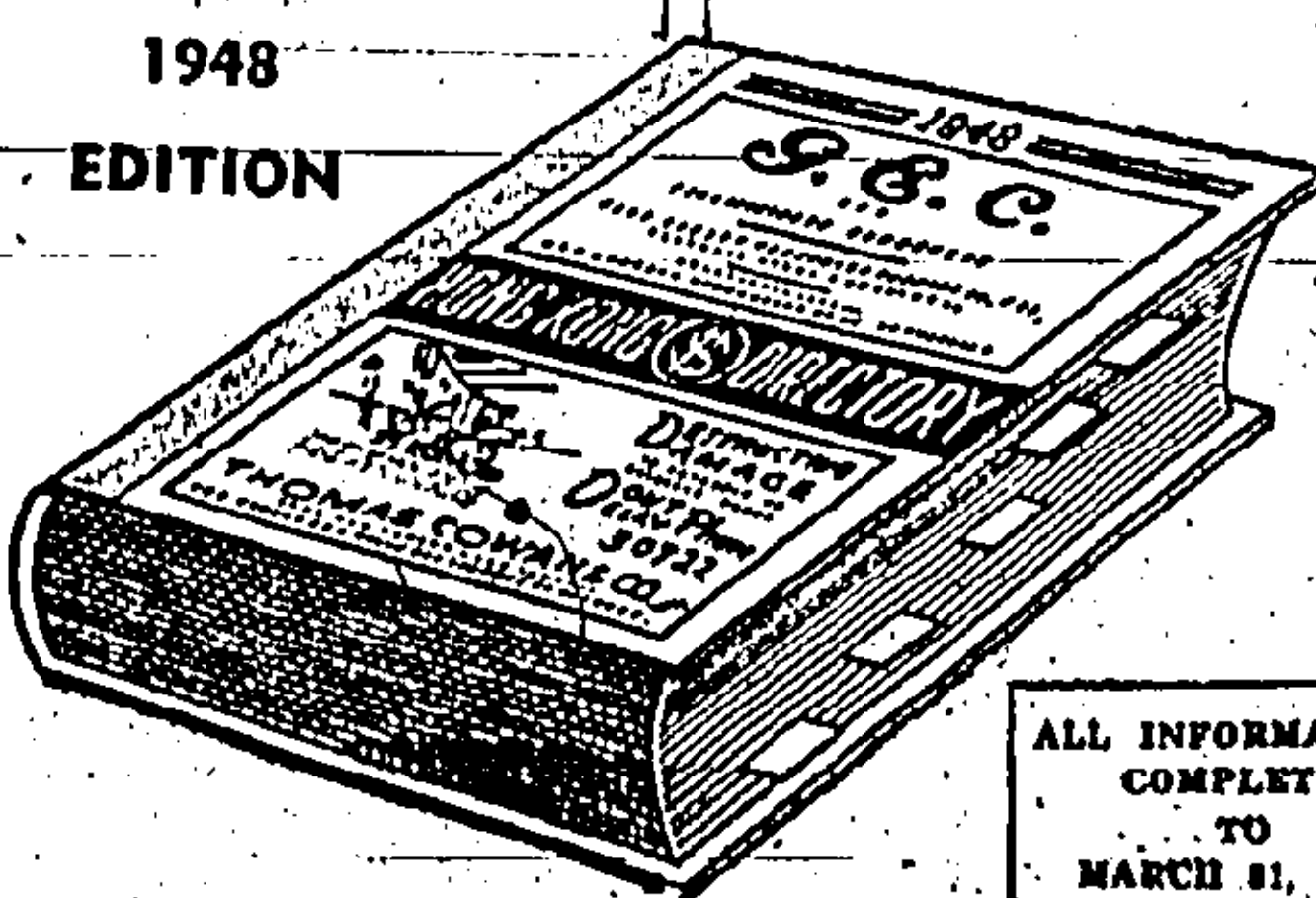
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U.S. Looking Round For The Next Move

To ally or not to ally? That is the sixty-four dollar question. Whether to rest easy on President Truman's promise of support for Western Union or how out a definite military guarantee.

Digesting the Italian election results, the U.S. looks around for what next to tackle. So far there have been only general words of comfort and sympathy for the Five-Power Pact signed at Brussels. There has been no move to prepare a treaty obligating the U.S. to go to war to defend any Western European nation.

Most here think the Senate would not ratify such a treaty. It was placed before it. There is a holding-back stance, a "Let George and John (Bull) do it" attitude.

No one seems to have grasped the simple fact that the present struggle is not like the last—that the U.S. next time will not be granted the luxury and privilege of making up her mind whether to fight while others are being pounded to the canvas.

The U.S. holds the world championship and will have to put on the gloves herself, and immediately, if it comes to a fight.

Currently, she is not acting altogether like a champion, or adopting the best policy to the up other battles on her side.

For instance, Britain has asked over and over again for atomic bombs from the U.S. She has asked for assistance in building up a stockpile.

The answer has been No, a thousand times no. In fact, the U.S. is not even keeping Britain informed of latest atomic energy developments.

Yet, as all Britain knows and all America seems to have forgotten, the bomb was developed by British and Canadian as well as American scientists.

Turnabout

At last the nation, and particularly New York with its Palestine problem, is coming around to the belief that America will have to contribute troops to a joint peace-keeping army in the Holy Land.

The delightful theory that Britain could be persuaded to continue indefinitely as the "bull's-eye" target for both Jew and Arab bullets has been scrapped.

The American taxpayers' own biggest worry after the harrowing war scare remains inflation.

The cost-of-living balloon has now torn loose from its moorings, and only an explosion will bring it down. And not a politician seems to care.

The Presidential election monopolizes their minds and there are no grey cells left to absorb other matters.

Never have so many men wanted to be President. Everyone except Eisenhower seems to be running and stumbling and limping in the race.

To occupy the White House is a laudable ambition, but it is also a man-killing job. Doctors say being President automatically cuts five years off a man's life.

Most men have broken down or died under the strain.

These facts are not stopping the

cavalcade of candidates, though the field is thinning out. Up front and going strong is the Lochinvar from the West, Republican Harold Stassen, 41, and full of flaming energy. He has lanced and left stricken the hopes of General Douglas MacArthur, who mutters behind the bamboo curtain in Japan.

He has mauled and bloodied Thomas Dewey and wounded Robert Taft. Watch him run. That's Stassen, that was.

Hour Of The Press

Personally, it has been a relief for me, after bogging down in a hundred campaign speeches, to attend the great conference of editors and publishers in Manhattan.

This is a wonderful week for the Press, and particularly the Anglo-American Press. In the Waldorf-Astoria are gathered the men who run America's newspapers, the men who own them, write them, and edit them.

The Associated Press, the largest news-gathering organization in the world, is 100 years old this week, a cause for rejoicing among all lovers of freedom of expression.

Lord Rothermere, as guest of honor of the Associated Press, delivered the principal speech.

It was a noble occasion, bringing Times-square, New York, and Fleet-street, London, closer than ever together.

Sensitive Films
Hollywood which still has an inferiority complex regarding Broadway, is arguing again with New York.

Film producers, directors, stars are insisting that New York critics are prejudiced against screen players. They say that the newspapers are high-hat, the public cynical, and the city hostile.

Further, they claim the gap between what New York critics say are good pictures and what audiences in the wide-open spaces rush to pay money to see is widening.

The only response so far is a nonchalant shrug from the local hatchet men with two seats on the aisle.

To try to right matters Hollywood is therefore sending a

cluck of top-name stars to town. Due here are Bing Crosby, Edgar Bergen, Jack Benny, Al Jolson, Charles Boyer to make personal appearances and, they hope, personal successes. New York is not over-impressed.

The film city itself is getting much more serious, cutting out the high jinks and glamour and concentrating on the serious side of film making. British competition could be the reason.

Winter Blast

However, just when we were doing well on Broadway, "The Girl From Norway," an oldie by Keith Winter, opened and got the most brutal going over from everybody. When we send plays here let's make them good ones.

The town was much kinder to the British film "The October Man," starring John Mills, Daily Mail film award winner. England's Richard Greene, unhappy star with Douglas Fairbanks junior in a Universal release.

Leo Genn writes to tell me he will be travelling back with me in the Queen Elizabeth on the 20th, and probably Cary Grant also. The more stars, the better the shipboard diary.

Grant's next leading lady will be a newcomer from England, Betty Drake who played in "Deep Are The Roots" in London.

Mary Pickford hopes to make "Sorrell and Son" and "Rain" in England.

Return Turns

Tony Martin is due in London to appear at the Palladium Theatre. When do we carry out some reverse Lend-Lease—Tommy Handley, Max Miller, Sid Fields, etc., appearing at 10,000 dollars a week along Broadway?

Jack Buchanan is all set for four weeks in the play "Harvey" here, and I hope he clicks.

Hollywood says "secretaries rule the world." Meaning Secretary Marshall, of course.

The difference between reporters and columnists is said to be that reporters when talking to a girl talk about her, but columnists talk about themselves.

Footnote. Let us start agreeing over what is right, no; fighting over what is left.

Colombo Doctor's Appeal In Defamation Case

London, May 3.

Dr. M. G. Perera, of Colombo, a Ceylonese practitioner and distiller of arrack, today appealed to the Privy Council against the decision of a district judge dismissing his case against the Ceylon Daily News for an allegedly defamatory statement.

Mr. G. O. Slade, for Dr. Perera, said that the doctor had contracts with the Government for the supply of arrack in 1941. Rumours were current in Ceylon that bribes had been offered to and accepted by members of the State Council.

A committee of enquiry was appointed. Dr. Perera gave evidence in camera. The commissioner made his report to the Governor in April, 1943. He found that in certain cases bribery had been going on though not in the case of the distillery owned by Dr. Perera.

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The hearing was adjourned. —Reuter.

Clarence House Protest

London, May 3.

A protest against the spending of £50,000 on modernising Clarence House, which is to be the London home of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, took place today when hundreds of thousands of people were desperately in need of homes, was made in the House of Commons today at question time by Mr. Ronald Chamberlain (Labour).

Mr. Charles Key, Minister of Works, replied that the money was being spent on such things as central heating and wiring for electricity.

Accommodation had to be found for the Royal couple and he thought the expenditure warranted.

Another Labour Member, Mr. Emrys Hughes, asked whether it would not be a popular thing to get Clarence House adapted to accommodate some of the thousands of newly married couples in London who have to live with their mothers-in-law.

Colonel Douglas Clifton, the Speaker of the House, then stopped further discussion on the ground that Mr. Hughes was using arguments and not asking for information. —Reuter.

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Germans Flee The Soviet Zone

By IAN COLVIN

"Western Mail" Correspondent
BERLIN (By Mail).

Berlin, the international city of refuge in the middle of the Soviet zone, is steadily crowded up with Germans who have fled from their homes and can go no further because of Russian interference with the westward bound trains.

For the Soviet zone is undergoing what can be called the purge of the small men intended to break the two independent parties, Christian Democrats and Liberals, without martyring their leaders.

There is besides a constant increase of police supervision and social espionage, and the Soviet Military Administration is forming a personal register of the chemical and engineering industries with full names and addresses, in an attempt to arrest the inevitable flight of talent from the Soviet system.

The Waiting-Room

An afternoon in the waiting-room of a German welfare organisation sorting out Germans from the Soviet zone showed this assortment of cases:

An industrial chemist, who has fled to escape from the Soviet register, and from the rule of shop stewards in his factory. A youth escaping direction to a salt mine.

A housemaid ordered to spy on her mistress.

A radio artist ordered to spy on her microphone collections.

A farmer who was head of the local Christian Democrat association.

Desire for Freedom

Germans are moving in greater numbers this winter than in the easier summer weather, and the steady addition of 4,500 a month to the British zone is a problem in itself.

The Soviet zone, slightly the larger, has a population diminishing from 16,000,000 and keeps the British zone population rising beyond 23,000,000.

When it was landowners, industrialists, and Nazis, the Soviet Military Administration was glad to be rid of them; but now men with clean political records and brains, youth and technical skill are fleeing, and that despite standard of living and liberties left intentionally higher than in the Soviet Union.

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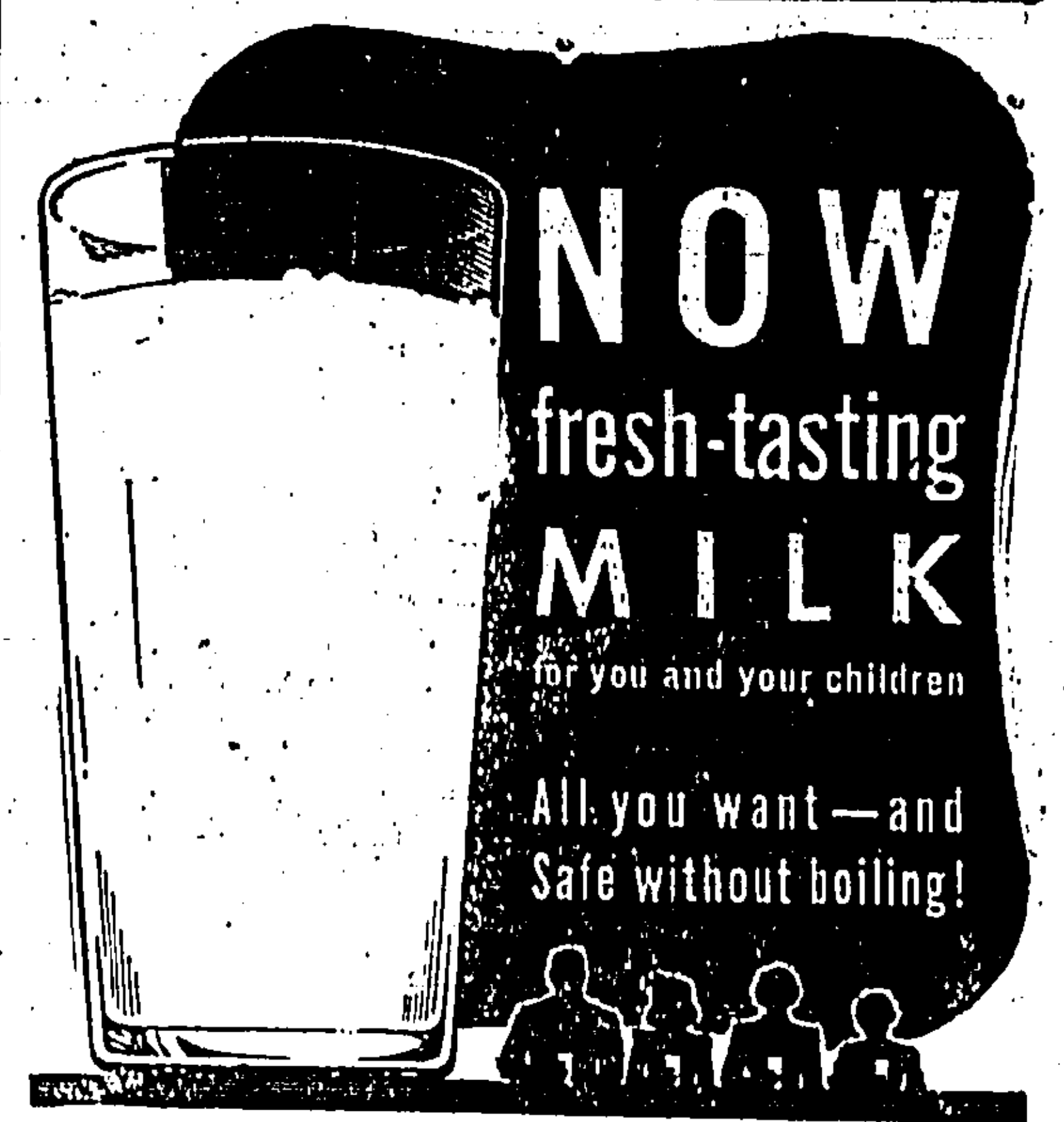
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CENSORING OF THE PRESS

Order Rescinded By British General

Berlin, May 3.

A British order forbidding the release of information to the press in British areas of Germany except through official channels was rescinded for reconsideration today, a few hours after press correspondents had protested to General Sir Brian Robertson, the Military Governor. The order, issued to all Control Commission officials today over the signature of Major-General N. V. D. Brownjohn, British Deputy Military Governor, named three officers in Berlin who alone would have had authority to arrange interviews and release information to the press.

The correspondents told General Robertson the order would force them to seek their information from American, French and Russian sources, and General Robertson told them there was no desire to restrict the press and agreed to reconsider the order.

General Brownjohn, in his instructions to British officials in Berlin and in the British Zone concerning relations with the press, said:

Policy

"It is part of the policy of His Majesty's Government to provide as much information as possible about their policies, problems and achievements. For that reason, members of the Control Commission have been and are encouraged to

be 'public relations conscious.' It is essential, however, to guarantee the accuracy and authenticity of the information provided, whether for publication or for background, to maintain security and efficiency, and to safeguard the servants of His Majesty's Government, all of whom are subject to the provisions of the Official Secrets Act and other restrictions on the publication of official information.

"You should inform all members of your staff that no official statement or interview on or off the record should be given to press or radio representatives except at the request of, or after consultation with the press branch of the Information Services Division.

Normal

"This is the normal procedure in Government departments in London and elsewhere. It had indeed been ruled in the Control Commission since the occupation began and, in future, must be followed."

General Brownjohn's letter, then named three officers who were responsible for arranging interviews in Berlin.

"It is recognised that many social contacts exist between correspondents and officials," he added. "These are to be encouraged, but all officials enjoying them are asked to remember that what they say off duty is of quite as much consequence as what they say in the office."

"I cannot be emphasised too strongly that it is not intended to restrict the flow of legitimate information but only to meet the requirements and difficulties outlined in this letter."—Reuter.

Goodwill For U.S. In Soviet

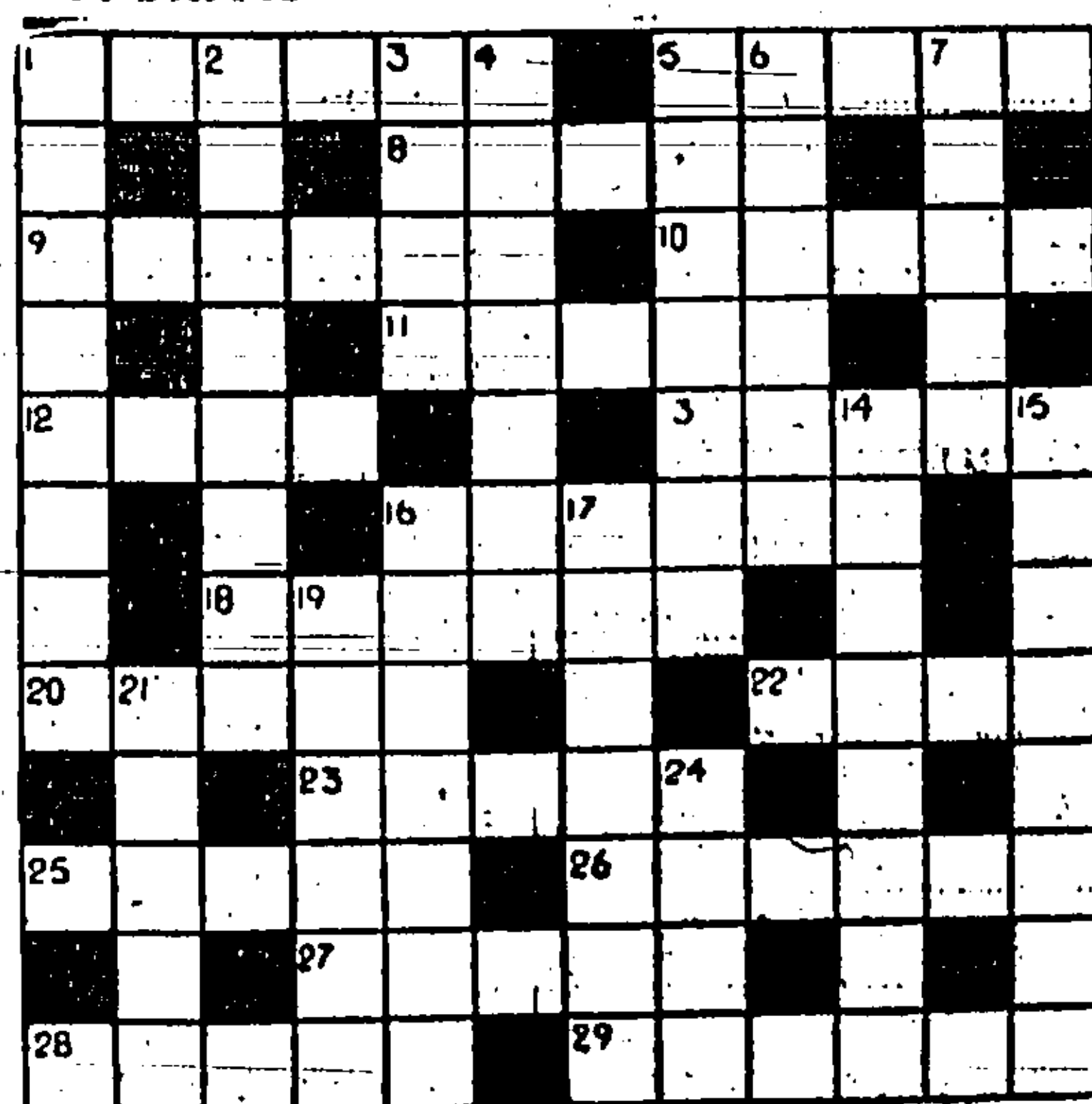
New York, May 3.

An American Embassy official returned from Moscow said today that America has "a tremendous fund of goodwill with the people" of Russia.

Joseph Bulik, who has been Agricultural Attaché to the United States Embassy in Moscow for four years, arrived on board the liner America.

"I said the political situation is something you feel more here than over there," he added that "when I read the American papers in Moscow, I got scared."

"The Russian people are wonderful," he said. "They like Americans and like things American."—Associated Press.

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE**Clues Across**

- 1 Fabric.
- 5 Fall in trade.
- 8 Shoot from hiding.
- 9 Trading centre.
- 10 Gate.
- 11 Sewer.
- 12 Part.
- 13 Tree.
- 16 Withdraw.
- 18 Brought about.
- 20 Severe.
- 22 Opera singer.
- 23 Renovate.
- 26 Reach.
- 27 Sword.
- 28 Insignificant.
- 29 Influenced.

Clues Down

- 1 Faint-hearted.
- 2 Vestment.
- 3 Accus-tomed.
- 4 Course.
- 6 Inclined.
- 7 Place of pilgrimage.
- 14 Special dish.
- 15 Kept.
- 16 Fugitive.
- 17 Vault.
- 18 Take into custody.
- 21 Subject.
- 24 Simmer.
- 21 Melee.
- 22 Seam.
- 23 Nomad.
- 26 Tag.
- 29 Puritan.
- 30 Post.
- 31 Part.
- 32 Snare.
- 33 Nest.
- Down: 1 Chide.
- 2 Trample.
- 4 Unity.
- 5 Bred.
- 6 Puma.
- 8 Snap.
- 11 Allen.
- 13 Room.
- 14 Bake.
- 16 Spear.
- 17 Emit.
- 19 Slog.
- 20 Radiant.
- 22 Smut.
- 24 Opera.
- 25 Parry.
- 27 Apex.
- 28 Spla.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across: 3 Numb, 7 Short, 8 Rout, 9 Side, 10 Adamant, 12 Drab, 15 Plays, 18 Slip, 19

British Claim In Shameen Incident

London, May 3.

Mr. Ernest Bevin, Foreign Secretary, was asked in the House of Commons yesterday what action the Government proposed taking regarding compensation from the Chinese Government for the destruction of British property on Shameen (Canton) on January 15.

Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary, replying for the Foreign Minister, said that the report of the Chinese Government investigators has not yet been communicated to the British Embassy in Nanking and that discussions are still proceeding.

Mr. Mayhew added that the British Ambassador has informed the Chinese Government that British claims are expected to total £300,000, and suggested that China might care to settle at this figure.—Reuter.

Dr. Sun Fo As Candidate In Election

Nanking, May 4.

The Central Standing Committee of the Kuomintang, at a special meeting presided over by President Chiang Kai-shek, last night nominated Dr. Sun Fo as candidate for the Presidency of China's new Legislative Yuan, and Dr. Chen Li-fu as candidate for the Vice-Presidency.

The Committee's nomination was made despite Dr. Sun Fo's previous decision to renounce his membership of the Legislative Yuan when he was running for the office of Vice-President of the Republic.

Following his defeat in the Vice-Presidential elections, however, Kuomintang authorities made known their intention of refusing to accept his withdrawal from the Legislative Yuan.

The Kuomintang meeting last night also upheld the decision of the Legislative Yuan in voting the State Council ruling, which provided for the creation of 150 additional seats in the new Legislative Yuan as a means of settling the dispute concerning its composition. Differing from the case of the National Assembly, it was unanimously ruled that those obtaining most votes shall be allowed to retain their seats.

The Kuomintang's decision last night is believed likely to cause a new political crisis involving the Young China Party and Social Democrats. These minor parties had each been guaranteed 75 seats in the new Legislative Yuan. So far, only 14 Social Democrats and eight Young China Party members have been properly elected to the Legislative Yuan.—Reuter-AAP.

London, May 3.
Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, is having a slight eye-operation today. He developed an irritation in the eye during a flight from Montreux, Switzerland, last year.—Reuter.

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"ORBITA"	Singapore, Penang, Aden, Port Said, Genoa, Amsterdam (Amsterdam)	30th May
"ORBITA"	U.K.	9th June
"TREVAN"	Shanghai & Japan	17th June
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"MARIEK" from Europe, 5th June	to Europe via Straits, 7th July.
"MOLEK" from Europe, early July	to Europe via Straits, late July.

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Reorganisation Of Companies

Washington, May 3.

A supreme court for business is en route to Japan to help put into operation the law to prevent the Zaibatsu ever again getting control of Japan's economy.

The group was appointed at the request of General Douglas MacArthur. It comprises representatives of American business of all types. It includes also two experts in anti-trust regulations of the United States.

The group is travelling by air and is expected to reach Tokyo via Honolulu within a few days, depending on flight plans from Honolulu.

Its members will sit as a court to hear arguments for and against plans for the reorganization of all major controlling companies and other big business in Japan. Their powers, however, are not limited by regulations usually applied to courts. Instead, they will be authorised to cut through legalistic red tape and decide for themselves the best method of putting into effect the law for elimination of concentrations of excessive economic power adopted by the Japanese Diet last December.

To do this they will concentrate on two points only:

First Steps

1.—That economic power shall not be returned to one family control in any instance.

2.—The reorganisation plan best designed for improving Japan's economy and eventually clearing the way for withdrawal of the occupation.

The first step of the group will be to familiarise themselves with the problem, which they have already studied from records available in the U.S. They will begin hearings on the basis of which recommendations will be made to SCAP for action. One member of the five-man group delayed his departure. He is Edward A. Tamm, President of the Cleveland Public Service Company, who remained behind on company business but is expected to join the others within a week or so.—Associated Press.

Malaya Trade Figures

Singapore, May 5.

Malaya's total volume of trade climbed during March to \$275,500,000 (Straits) but the peninsula's adverse trade balance also climbed, to just under \$20,000,000.

March imports into Singapore and the Federation of Malaya were \$152,776,959 Straits, government statisticians reported, while exports totalled \$123,816,785 Straits.

The total trade volume in February was \$250,750,000. Rubber exports to the United States once again made America Malaya's best customer. Total exports to the U.S. were \$33,250,000 Straits, of which \$19,250,000 was in rubber. The United Kingdom was the number two customer, buying \$10,000,000 worth of products.—Associated Press.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hong Kong, 4th May, 1948.

GERMAN LOOT IN SPAIN
London, May 3.

The British representative at the talks now going on in Madrid had been instructed to join the French and Americans in pressing Spain to make restitution of any gold which can be proved to be German wartime loot, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Christopher Reilly, said in a Parliamentary reply today.—Reuter.

P.I. Trade With Japan

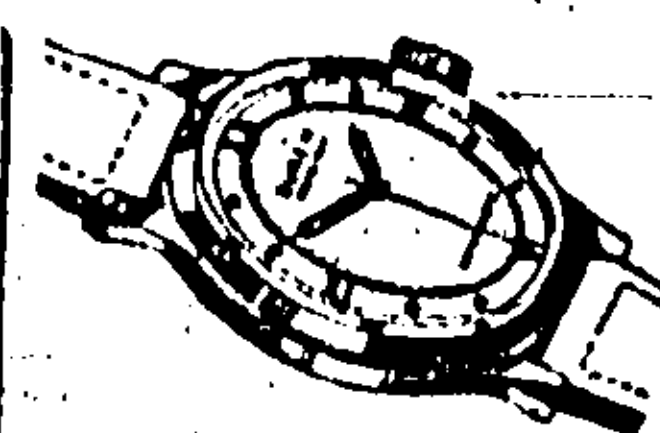
Manila, May 3.
High level discussions of the future trade relations between the Republic and Japan were held at Malacanang Palace between officials of the Philippine and United States Governments this morning.

The Filipino group was led by President Quinsion, and the American delegation, headed by Major General Daniel Noy, the Civil Affairs Chief of the American Department of the Army.—Reuter.

London Stock Exchange

London, May 3.

SECURITIES:
British Consols, 2 1/2% 100% 76 1/2
Conversion Loan, 3 1/2% 1961, 104
Funding Loan, 4 1/2% 1960/61, 111 1/2
War Loan, 3 1/2% 1952, 102 1/2
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RAILWAY SHARES:
British Transport, 3% 95 1/2
INDUSTRIALS:
British American Tobacco (of G.B. & Ireland), 5 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
Imperial Chemical Indus., 4 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
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Rand Mines, 8 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
Simpson Mines, 8 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
Sub-Nigeria, 4 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
Yarrow Tin Co., 1 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
Union Corporation, 2 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
OIL SHARES:
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Shell Transport & Trading Co., 18 1/2% 100% 104 1/2
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American Aid Distribution Committee

Nanking, May 4.—The Executive Yuan resolved today to establish a 13-man committee headed by Prime Minister Chiang Kai-shek to administer American aid to China. The committee will be composed of all Cabinet Ministers whose Ministries are directly affected by the aid programme and additional members invited by the Executive Yuan.

A three-man planning committee will act as the executive body of the latter group. The committee consists of O. K. Yin, Minister of Finance, Chang Kung-wei, Governor of the Central Bank of China, and Miao Yung-tai, Minister without Portfolio and Chairman of the Relief Administration. The committee will coordinate the Government's financial and economic policies to ensure maximum effectiveness of American help.

Chen Chen, Minister of Economic Affairs and Wang Wen-hua, Chairman of the National Reconstruction Council, will jointly coordinate the establishment of a reconstruction committee in connection with the utilization of American aid. The recommendation was approved in principle by the Executive Yuan and details are now under discussion. —United Press.

Japanese Textile Expositions

Tokyo, May 4.—Japanese textile companies in this nation's recovery hopes, will be exhibited at several international expositions this spring and summer.

Nine tons of material and displays are now en route to New York City for the International Textile Industries Exposition at Grand Central Palace on June 7 through June 12.

Mr. Masumi Tani, SCAP textile consultant, will show the exhibits to Atlantic City for the International Industrial Exhibition from June 26 through September 11.

SCAP sources say Japanese nationals might go along with the exhibits as technicians.

One group of Japanese textile experts are now in India discussing trade possibilities. —Associated Press.

Labour Party Target

London, May 4.—Morgan Phillips, Secretary-General of the Labour Party, announced today a membership campaign with a target of 1,000,000 new members.

The announcement came three weeks after the statement by Lord Woolton, Conservative Party chairman, who declared the recruitment of a second 1,000,000 Conservative Party members as the target for the Party in the next three months.

The Conservative campaign began on April 18.

The present Labour membership is around 600,000 but total membership, including affiliated trade union membership, is 4,605,000.

The Labour Party membership campaign will be conducted this summer under the slogan "Forward Britain."

Writing in the official Labour Party Press Bulletin, Phillips said the campaign will be one of the most vital in the Party's 43-year existence.

Phillips said a Labour Party victory in the next general election will not lightly be won and recalled the Party suffered a 40 per cent loss in the municipal elections last November. The April elections indicated a recovery. —United Press.

KEY KUOMINTANG FIGURE RESIGNS AS SEQUEL TO NANKING ELECTIONS

Cannot Afford Newsprint

London, May 4.—Britain cannot afford to use Marshall Plan funds to buy newsprint despite the danger of British newspapers being reduced from four to two pages.

Government spokesmen told the House of Commons last night, Major Christopher York (Cons.) warned newsprint stocks have been reduced to a dangerous level. Any hitch in imports, he said, would mean the newspapers would be able to print only two pages daily.

The Conservative member said Canadian supplies are declining for some indication of what proportion newsprint contracted for in 1949 would actually be taken up.

"If Government would accept the offer of the Marshall Aid Administrator to send us about \$2,000,000 worth of newsprint under the Plan we could accept the Canadian offer in full," he said.

L. J. Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary to the Health Ministry, replying for Government said: "The figures of imports recently suggested by the United States Administration—some far beyond our means."

Edwards continued the newsprint attack was "very tight." He said the country could continue with four-page papers and prepare for possible increases only by increased salvage of waste paper and boosting home production of newsprint. —United Press.

Russians Arrest Five GI's

Berlin, May 4.—Five United States soldiers were arrested by Russian guards in the city of Moscow on Sunday, military police officials disclosed today.

Three soldiers were arrested and held for 24 hours after one of them had fired a shot with an army pistol.

The military police said that the three soldiers were drunk when they entered the Soviet sector and explained when they were returned to American territory that they had "been out celebrating May Day."

The other two American soldiers were arrested by Russian guards and held for six hours when they attempted to photograph a "you are now leaving the American sector" sign on the border between the American sector and the Soviet zone, it was stated. —Reuter.

Kowloon Cricket Club's Saturday Dance

A few details have leaked out this week concerning the programme which the ladies' committee of the Kowloon Cricket Club have drawn up for next Saturday's dance.

It appears that one of the main attractions will be the appearance of "The Great Rube," an artist of world-wide reputation who is passing through the Colony, while a brand new group of entertainers, who are booked shortly to be heard from ZBW will be making their public debut in Hong Kong at this dance.

A brilliant mimic and an expert on the "squeeze box" are reported to be other attractions, but the rest of the programme remains shrouded in secrecy.

Authoritative whispers, however, show that next Saturday's show is going to be the best put on at the KCC since 1945, and the ladies' committee are preparing for an attendance of at least 200.

It can also be stated, at this point, that the popular Ted Cochrane and his band will be present, and members are urged to make up their parties and book tables without delay.

The second bridge and mah-jong drive to be organized by the ladies' committee will be held on Friday, May 21, starting at 2.45 p.m. Those who intend to make up parties should inform Mrs. Gledhill (tel. 87040), Mrs. Gray (tel. 50530) or the No. 1 boy, not later than Wednesday, May 19. There will be a charge of \$2 per person, which will include

Chen Li-fu, close adviser to the Generalissimo and one of the key figures in the Kuomintang hierarchy, resigned as Kuomintang Minister of Organisation today.

The post, although carrying little fanfare, is one of the most important in China.

Chen gave as reason for his resignation the fact that the burden and responsibilities of the job were too great for him now that a constitutional era has been inaugurated.

He said the "eyes and ears of the world" should see new faces and hear new voices now that the period of political tutelage had ended.

Chen also made the traditional Chinese confession of failure during his tenure of office.

K.M.T. Nomination
The Kuomintang simultaneously nominated Chen for the Vice-Presidency of the Legislative Yuan as running mate of Dr. Sun Fo who is the official candidate for the Presidency of that body.

Informed sources said it was still too early to estimate the real significance of Chen's resignation from the party post in view of the welter of resignations by Government officials during the last few weeks, most of which turned out to be merely gestures.

Dr. Sun himself resigned from the Legislative Yuan during the recent Presidential race and the Kuomintang is now trying to persuade him to withdraw his resignation in order that he may be elected President. They are expected to succeed.

Extreme dissatisfaction is known to exist within the Kuomintang over Chen's role in the recent elections to the National Assembly and the Legislative Yuan, which precipitated the seat dispute that is still plaguing the Government.

Chen also is said to have been really responsible for Dr. Sun's defeat in the Vice-Presidential election since he failed to marshal party support behind the Kuomintang's "unofficial" candidate. Both these facts are believed to have contributed to his decision to resign.

"Strongly Critical"
The Generalissimo reportedly has been strongly critical of Chen on both counts.

The Kuomintang's decision to nominate official party candidates for the President and Vice-President is interpreted as an attempt to avoid a debacle which occurred when the party permitted its members to run freely for the Vice-Presidential of the Republic.

With Dr. Sun and Chen in the two top Legislative Yuan posts there is little likelihood of a party support behind the Kuomintang's "unofficial" candidate.

The Legislative Yuan under the new constitution, is China's fundamental legislative body and could create endless difficulties for the Government if its members are not kept in line. —United Press.

OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY

London, May 3.—The Olympic torch will be carried in relays by 1,835 torch-bearing runners from the ancient Greek village of Olympia to London for the Olympic Games.

The non-stop torch relay will end with the lighting of the Olympic flame in Wembley Stadium on July 26. The 3,000-mile relay covers makes it one of the longest relays in sports history. It will take 14 days.

The average runner will go approximately two miles. Italians will use more runners over shorter distances. —Associated Press.

DERBY CALLOVER

London, May 3.—Victoria Club Callover on the Derby: 2 to 1 My Baby, D to 1 The Cobbler, 10 to 1 Jock Scot, 100 to 1 Black Tarquin, 10 to 1 Pride of India, 20 to 1 Solar Slinger, 25 to 1 My Love, Birthday Greeting and Holyoke, 50 to 1 Pollards, 5 to 1 Straight Play, Black Pampas, Royal Drake, 40 to 1 others, all offered. —Reuter.

Rain Stops Play

London, May 4.—No play was possible before lunch in the third day of the match between Leicestershire and the Australian cricket tourists, owing to rain. An inspection of the wicket will be made at 1.20 p.m.

Yesterday, the Australians scored 448 in their first innings, while Leicestershire could only compile 130 in their first innings and 113 for five wickets in the follow-on. —Reuter.

Big Yachting Carnival Planned For May 15

David didn't quite bring it off against Goliath last Sunday, when in a great yacht race the Royal Navy Team defeated H.M.S. Amethyst's team and so secured top place in the League.

There was a fair amount of breeze shifting slightly all the time, and little tide. Most of the boats bunched together just before the start and were blanketed by each other, allowing two of the Navy teams, Goodhart first and Honess second to get away in front. At the end of the first lap, Honess was leading and the Navy team had most of the lead.

Amethyst's team made a great effort and several of them came well up so that they eventually secured 2nd and 3rd places. The final result was—

ROYAL NAVY TEAM
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LADIES' RACE
The Ladies' race was as good as over on Saturday, with eleven keen lady helmsmen entering. There was a strong ebb, and only light and windy weather. Several boats got into trouble before the start, drifting down tide, and eventually not crossing the line until about 10 minutes after the others. Margaret Honess was the last to start and did very well to catch up to 3rd place by the end.

1st, 22, B. Carey, 17:53.20; 2nd, 6, Carey, 17:55.25; 3rd, 60, Honess, 17:56.31; 4th, 10, P. Lashby, 18:01.23; 5th, 13, S. Chappell, 18:01.31; 6th, 15, S. Frahm, 18:01.43; 7th, 4, J. Strellet, 18:02.48; 8th, Toogood, Disqualified; 7th, Miss Layton, Disqualified; 6th, Miss Blackmore, D.N.F.; 3, Mrs. Mayrick, D.N.F.

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COUNTY CRICKET SEASON LOOKS PROMISING

London, May 3.—Although County cricket has not yet started, some counties have begun first-class matches opposed by the Universities and representative sides, and a feature of to-day's play was a double century by G. H. Daggart for Cambridge against Lancashire.

Daggart, who is a Cantab, scored 215 in his first innings and 215 in his second in the first class cricket.

The previous highest first appearance score was 185 not out by J. Ricketts of Lancashire against Surrey at the Oval in 1867.

Daggart, an old Corinthian footballer and son of a former Cambridge University and Middlesex batsman, scored his runs after Ken Cranston, the Lancashire captain, had put the Varsity in to bat on a wicket he thought might be affected by the week-end rain.

Daggart kept in second wicket down after the University had lost two wickets cheaply and batted nearly six hours.

Cambridge were all out for 380 and Lancashire scored 16 without loss before close of play.

Aussies On Way To Victory
Meanwhile, Kardar, the India Test cricketer, playing for Oxford University, followed his 58 on Saturday by hitting five Gloucestershire wickets today for 47 runs. Gloucestershire being all out for 150 in reply to Oxford's 305.

In their second innings the University lost eight wickets for 51. At Leicester, the Australians are well on their way to their second victory of the tour.

At the close of play on the second day the Australians had scored 448 and dismissed the county for 130 in their first innings. Following on, Leicestershire lost five wickets for 113.

Keith Miller scored 202 not out for the Australians. —Associated Press and Reuter.

SCAP Reply On Jap Poachers
Tokyo, May 4.—A S.C.A.P. source said it had received "several reports" about Japanese fishing vessels going beyond S.C.A.P.'s restricted waters around Japan, but had "no information" about such vessels entering Chinese waters.

His comment followed a report that the Chinese Navy had been ordered to detain Japanese fishing vessels found in Chinese waters.

The source said SCAP had received reports from the Chinese about areas fished by Japanese, but added such protests had been answered.

A Chinese Navy spokesman said SCAP had not answered Chinese protests about Japanese allegedly fishing in Chinese waters.

SCAP officials said those Japanese fishers found to have gone into forbidden waters had been "severely punished." —Associated Press.

China Athletic Meet Starts Today

Shanghai, May 4.—China's major sports spectacle—the seventh national athletic meet—opens tomorrow at Kiangwan Stadium.

Assured of a record entry of participants, meet officials predicted the first post-war games would draw a record-breaking crowd.

The N.A.M. committee's final tabulation showed 2,233 entries, including 1,238 men and 495 women.

Besides China proper and her remote frontiers—Sinkiang, Taiwan and Manchuria—athletes have come from Malaya, Siam, Indo-China, the Philippines, Hawaii, Hong Kong and Canada.

The games have taken on a special significance because of the London Olympics. The meet will form the nucleus of China's Olympic team, particularly in football, basketball, field and track, and swimming.

Here are some guesses: In football, the Chinese police of Hong Kong are favoured, with Malaya as a strong possibility. In basketball, the Shanghai and Szechwan quintets are the chief contenders.

In swimming, diving finalists will narrow down to three—South China, Hong Kong, Canton and Taiwan, with the Taiwanese heavily favoured.

Track and field events are wide open, with China's two long distance runners—Lau Wen-nai and Liu Ching-kun—the only apparent favourites. —Associated Press.

CHESS MATCH ADJOURNED
Moscow, May 4.—Samuel Reshevsky of New York and Mikhail Botvinnik of Russia adjourned their 10th round match in the world chess tournament yesterday after 41 moves.

The result was still open although Reshevsky said he felt his position hopeless.

In the other match, Russia's Vasily Smyslov defeated Doctor Max Euwe of Holland in 20 moves.

The standings after 10 rounds: Botvinnik 10 points, Smyslov 8½, Reshevsky 7½, Paul Keres 7½ and Euwe 3½. —Associated Press.

S. African Sedition Charge

Johannesburg, May 3.—Harry Naidoo, an Indian, together with two Africans and six Europeans, appeared before a special criminal court today on a charge of sedition. Seven of the defendants, including Naidoo, were stated to be members of the Central Executive of the South African Communist Party.

The indictment alleged that between March and August, 1940, the seven members of the Executive unlawfully procured the Johannesburg Committee and the Union Fund-raising Committee to initiate a strike of African mine workers of the Rand and to take part in the strike or its continuation.

In consequence, the indictment said, tens of thousands of African mine workers struck, resorted to violence against the State, and imperilled public peace, order and established authority.

Defence counsel objected to the indictment on the ground that it was vague and lacked particulars.

The accused were committed for trial last December after an examination in which evidence was given of clashes between African mine workers and police during a strike of 5,000 African mine workers on the Rand last August. —Reuter.

Belgian Government Resigns

Brussels, May 4.—The Belgian Premier, M. Paul Henri Spaak, has decided to hand the resignation of his Government to the Prince Regent, it was authoritatively learned here today.

The reason for M. Spaak's decision to resign was his own Socialist Party's opposition to the Government policy in the 15-year-old dispute between the State-sponsored and "free" Catholic schools.

The two wings of the Belgian Coalition Government agreed in principle last Friday on a policy to settle the old "education problem".

Speakers in both Houses of Parliament were asked to allow a declaration by M. Camille Huysman, Minister of Education, to be read tomorrow.

Earlier, it has been feared that the Government might fall on this issue. —Reuter.

ITALIAN WINS GRAND PRIX

Geneva, May 3.—The Italian racing motorist, Giuseppe Farina, won the Grand Prix de Geneva—a 207.55 kilometre race over 70 laps. Sommer's time was two hours, six minutes, 1.1 seconds, averaging 98.82 kilometres per hour.

Sommer finished third in the Grand Prix de Nations in a 12-cylinder Ferrari machine. —Reuter.

JOCKEY ARRESTED

New York, May 4.—Earl Sander, one of the turf's famed jockeys and now operator of his own stables, was arrested by Federal narcotics agents today for allegedly doping one of his horses.

Sander waived examination before the United States Commissioner in Brooklyn and was released pending action by the Federal Grand Jury.

The action was unprecedented in New York where horse doping cases usually are handled by the State Health Commission. Criminal action is not the rule. —United Press.

"THOUGHT WE COULD FLY"

Macleanfield, May 3.—One of the Cheshire county prize swans was dead today, a martyr to the scientific curiosity of two small boys.

Arraigned in a juvenile court, the lads admitted killing the bird with an old knife.

"We wanted its wings because we thought we could fly with them," they said. —Associated Press.

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